St. Mary's City Commission



ST. MARY'S CITY, MARYLAND 20686

AGENCY FOR PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARYLAND'S FIRST CAPITAL 1634

August 8, 1972

Mr. Tyler Bastion State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall The Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

Here is a clipping I thought you might enjoy. Looks like we got problems right here in River City.

Another problem closer to us is Point Lookout State Park. Some building foundations and other features which appear to relate to the Civil War prison camp and hospital are slowly being washed away. After Storm Agnes, several of us walked one of the beaches and saw a couple of rectangular features in clay which are under water during high tide. Possibly these should be considered for salvage. There is water logged wood and leather in the features so the costs of saving the contents would not be cheap. Some of the local residents have mentioned people using metal detectors at Point Lookout State Park to hunt for Civil War "relics". I do not know if the park rangers are aware of this or not. It might be worth while to talk with them and look over the site. At the same time you could give us a visit and see our progress.

If it is agreeable with the state park system, the St. Mary's City Commission is willing to act as a repository for artifacts from Point Lookout State Park. However if any of the artifacts required preservation, we would have to have the funding necessary for such arrangements. We have trained students which could be hired for such operations.

Hope you are able to visit our excavations before we close down on August 25th. Pope's Freehold is almost done, and we are doing quite well on St. John's. The basement fill from Pope's Freehold appears to have been filled in around the 1840's or possibly 1850's. St. John's site is producing a nice sample of seventeenth-century artifacts. Hope to see you sometime this summer.

Sincerely.

George L. Miller, Lab Conservator

GLM/sjs George L. M

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DO NOT CIRCULATE "THE PLAINS" AND THE DAYS THAT USED TO BE By Jeanne Waters Zseleczky



"The Plains", Jowles-Sothoron Families On the Patuxent Below Benedict

There are many colonial homes and places in the tidewater region bearing the name, "The Plains" but none could have been any lovlier than the old Sothoron home that used to be on the Patuxent River

near Benedict.

Located between Trent Hall and Indian Creeks, the highly unique old brick house had a jerkin roof with flanking unmatched wings, and it used to stand almost at the

water's edge.

The estate was first acquired by Henry Jowles (probably a French Huguenot) just after 1670, and called "Orphan's Gift". This tempestuous individual seems to have had an unsavory connection with the insurrectionist, John Coode.
Though Jowles became Commander of the Calvert County Militia, (with the rank of colonel), High Sheriff

of Calvert County, and, Chancellor of Maryland, he proved himself to be no friend of Lord Baltimore because of his prominent part in the overthrow of the Governor and his Council at St. Mary's City at the time of the Protestant Rebellion of 1689.

Charles Stein in A History of Calvert County, tells us that Col. Jowles married Sybil Groome in 1675 and had four children. His son, Henry Peregrine Jowles, inherited the property and married Dryden Cheseldyne, (it is thought about 1700). It was during this period that the plantation became known as, "The Plains". Peregrine Jowles died in 1720 and was buried at The Plains. The children of this union were Sybil and Mary Jowles, who both married John J. Sothoron, and from then on the plantation remained in the Sothoron family until recent times.

Whether the fine old edifice was built by a Jowles or by a Sothoron is not certain, but the dwelling did have some definite French features, such as, french doors inside, and, the same curious roofline as that of the little Jarboe house below the Naval Air Station, (which has been described as a "hipped gambrel").

Years ago, Helen Ridgely stated in her work, Historic Graves of Maryland and the District of Columbia, that the following people were bured at The Plains; Col. Henry Peregrine Jowles, died, March, 1720 aged 37; Mr. John Forbes, died, January, 1737, aged 37; Mary (Bond) Sothoron, wife of Henry Greenfield Sothoron, 1736-1763, only child of Major Zachariah Bond. The fascinating old family cemetery still exists in a mulberry grove quite some distance behind the house site, but, finding the graves in the tangle of honeysuckle and undergrowth is a difficult operation, and, in the summer, practically impossible. If it hadn't been for the kindly interest of Mr. W. S. Andress of Golden Beach, (who is very interested in the history of "The Plains"), I would never have found the hallowed ground.

As it was, I was able to uncover only a few tombs; one little stone marked the last resting place of Mr. John Forbes, (1757-1804), second husband of Dryden Cheseldyne Jowles. The inscription proclaimed that "He was a good man". The stone showing Henry Sothoron's grave was also discernable: "This is the grave of Henry Sothoron who departed this life at his residence near Benedict the 20th of January, 1832 - An unperishable monument in the memory of all who knew him."

I didn't find the graves of Henry Greenfield Sothoron and his wife, Mary; they undoubtedly lie buried under the brambles. Their son was Major John Forbes Sothoron. The name, Greenfield, brings to mind the seventeenth century land holding of Major Thomas Truman, "Trent Hall", on the Patuxent immediately south of The Plains. Upon the death of Maj. Truman, the tract was inherited by his nephew, Thomas Truman Greenfield (1685).

Effie Gwynn Bowie's all inclusive book, Across the Years in Prince George's County, tells us that, in 1796, Henry Sothoron married Elizabeth Marbury, daughter of Col. Luke Marbury of "Wyoming". (Wyoming still stands amid huge boxwood bushes at the head of Piscataway Creek, Prince George's County.) Henry Sothoron's son was William Henry Sothoron, who married a Miss Barber.

was William Henry Sothoron, who married a Miss Barber.

These men lived during the era of the War of 1812, when The Plains and many waterfront plantations were ravaged by the British. Some wonderful old homes such as "Godsgrace", (the Mackall mansion), and the Broome family home, both on the CalvertCounty side of the river, were completely destroyed. Though the Plains was shelled by British gunboats and panelling pillaged from the inside, it was spared complete destruction possibly because British officers were quartered there.

In the beautiful high country behind The Plains along Rt. 6 stands All Faith Episcopal Church. The present brick structure, situated in a grove of massive white oaks, was erected in 1767; a log church had been on the site before 1692. Tall narrow double doors are at the front entrance and windows are gracefully arched and have old panes of glass. Inside, there is a barrel-type ceiling and a slave gallery. Many of the later Sothorons are buried in the churchyard here.

A large imposing tombstone surrmounted by a cross marks the grave of Col. John Henry Sothoron of The Plains, (1807-1893). His wife, Elizabeth Somervell Sothoron, rests under an identical but smaller marker. Smaller simpler stones mark the tombs of S. P. Webster Sothoron, (1841-1883), and, Mary Elizabeth Sothoron, (1836-1924, daughter of Col. J. H. Sothoron).

The Thomas family of "De La Brooke", and, the Chesley famil of "Chesley Hills" are represented in the cemetery - also the Billingley, Harrison, and Briscoe families.

On Golden Beach Road just before the intersection of Rt. 6 stands a quaint little house owned by Mr. Charles Conrad of Virginia. Originally owned by the Truman family, it later came into the possession of the Chesleys. Only a story-and-a-half high, the dwelling is made of chestnut planks, (beneath modern siding), with free-standing chimneys at each end. An old deed revealed the name, "Long-Looked-for-Come-at-Last". Equally appealing are the names of the adjoining farms, "Burrough's Lot", "Sothoron's Neglect", and, "Long Hold Fast".

The Plains was tragically pulled down in 1958 to make way for a beach subdivision. In his book, Yesterday in Old St. Mary's, Robert Pogue has voiced the sentiments of many southern Marylanders concerning this loss: "I was shocked and grieved when I saw the vacant space where it (The Plains) had stood...It all seemed so useless - this destruction of irreplaceable remnants of our past". Had the home been in bad state of repair, the wrong would have been far easier to accept; but it happened to be in very good condition, a wonderful example of the sturdiness of an early colonial structure.

The last mentioned Col. Sothoron had five daughters, one of whom married Capt. Lester Curtis, and their descendants are still living today in St. Mary's County.

EDITOR'S NOTE

A Picture and short sketch of "The Plains" appeared in the Chronicles of St. Mary's in October 1958 (Vol. 6, No. 10) shortly after it was destroyed.

Digging At Point Lookout, Maryland

Early in the summer, the Editor had an interesting experience when he accompanied his friends, Frank and Richard Hammond of Northern Virginia on a dig for artifacts 82.

at the Point Lookout Prison Camp For Confederates. The picture below shows the result of a day's dig.



lished in 1972.

Both minie balls (named after the inventor, Capt. C. E. Minie of France, 1814-1879) and musket (round) balls were found. The latter could date from colonial days as the Point was a favorite hunting ground in earlier years. Pieces of lead found indicated that the military units guarding the camp cast their own bullets. Federal uniform buttons also were found. Most of the artifacts found have been presented to the St. Mary's County Historical Society by the Hammond Brothers.

Response to the Budlong Log-Trip Down
The Potomac

The following letter is typical of several received concerning the story "Down the Potomac" and there were many other favorable oral comments. More of the logs, with pictures will be pub-

James E. Nicholson 800 East Lake Avenue Baltimore, Md. 21212

12 August 1971.

Dear Mr. Beitzell:

I must tell you how much I enjoyed the story "Down The Potomac" by Mr. Percy E. Budlong. It was pure nostalgia for me since the time coincided with my closest period with the river, from 1900 to about 1908.

It just brought back so many things to my mind since in those years I spent about four months every summer traveling up and down the river between Washington and Point Lookout. I knew all the bouys, shoals, lighthouses and wharves along the Maryland side of the river and could recognize a steamer by the sound of its whistle long before it came into view. Most of my time was spent in St. Catherine's sound area near River Springs when the Blackistones owned it and ran it as a summer resort.

The photograph of the old T. V. Arrowsmith tied up at the end of the Colonial Beach pier was a real tear jerker. I made many a trip on her as well as the several others of the line in those days. All of them gone, but not forgotten.

The mention of Craney Island brought back memories of that little desolate strip of land in the upper river I recall so well.

So, all in all, it was an excellent story and I enjoyed it immensely.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES E. NICHOLSON

Society Dinner Meeting

The quarterly dinner meeting of the Society held on July 17 at the Officers Club,

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Mr. Alexander, member of the Goddard Sea Venturers scuba diving club,

Larry Line, President (phone 982-4178), called re his clubsy activities at Point Lookout and inquired about sources on its history. He said they are finding many miniballs in one small area on east side of point, but this is strange as the prision camp was on the west side. Are aware of antiquities law and will report to state and give it any important finds. The club's president has a contact at the Smithsonian who suggested that I be contacted.

Alexander's phone is 982-6785

Promised to keep me apraised of developments. Did not know name of the contact at the Smithsonian. I gave him name and place to order Beitzell's new book.

Mr. William A. Parr, Director Maryland Park Service State Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Parr:

A number of recent developments in regard to the historical and archeological aspects of Point Lookout State Park indicate an immediate need for some action.

Storm Agnes exposed foundations and artifacts of the Civil War period on the east side of the Point. Carry Stone and George Miller, archeologists on the staff of the St. Mary's City Commission, observed water-logged wood and leather objects in some of the exposed archeological deposits. During a brief visit to the Park last month. I noted that erosion of the earthen fort had progressed considerably since early 1970 when I first saw it; the west embankment is largely destroyed. Also during August, I received an application for a permit to conduct exploration for artifacts with a motal detector from Frank B. Hammond of Burke, Va., about whom you telephoned me in May. As his application was incomplete, I have requested additional information concerning his intentions as well as his previous explorations in the Park. Two weeks ago, I received a phone call from Mr. Alexander, a scuba diver employed at Goddard Space Flight Center, who has recovered artifacts along the shore of Point Lookout and who wants to continue his explorations with the State's permission. Finally, I have recently received a copy of Edwin Beitzell's new book, "Point Lookout Prison Camp for Confederates," which summarizes the history of the area and provides us with a splendid compilation of contemporary accounts and illustrations of the site during the Civil War (circular enclosed).

We note in "Maryland State Parks: A Master Plan for Outdoor Recreation, 1967-1976" (January 1966, p. 14) that Point Lookout is not listed among the "historic and cultural sites" in the State parks system. In "Maryland State Parks Action Program for Development" (July 1971) the only mention of Point Lookout's historical values is "restored Civil War Fort" on the master development plan foldout sheet; actually the fort is a minor part of the site (not shown on enclosed circular as it was not built until 1864). The considerable significance of the site is well-documented in Beitzell's book.

Because of the rapid erosion of the site, the interest in relic hunting which will be accelerated by Beitzell's book, and the development of the area as a State Park, there is urgent need for a coordinated approach to

the preservation and interpretation of its historical and archeological values. Initial investigation should consist of the preparation of a large scale map of the park showing the locations of former structures as inferred from historical sources, and the locations of historical and archeological features visible on the surface. At the same time, efforts should be made to record, salvage and/or preserve archeological features and artifacts exposed by erosion or modern construction.

Point Lookout is not the only State Fark in need of archeological investigation, of course, but a unique combination of urgency and available personnel make it incumbent that action be taken. The archeologists on the staff of the St. Mary's City Commission have expressed concern and interest, and they are willing to make their facilities available. Moreover, Jonathan Kent, an advanced student with considerable experience in historical sites archeology, and now working part-time at St. Mary's College while he prepares a Master's thesis, has expressed interest in working at Point Lookout on a pept-time basis during the current academic year. I estimate that his services could be obtained for \$2,000 plus an additional \$3,000 contingency fund for processing and preservation of significant artifacts. The project could be administered through the St. Mary's City Commission who have excellent facilities for research in historical archeology and who could also serve as a temporary repository for the materials collected. The investigator would be required to submit a written report including a base map. a ppropiate illustrations, and recommendations. Mr. Hammond and Mr. Alexander should be encouraged to cooperate with the investigation, providing that their interests do not significantly threaten the archeological values of the area. Independent archeological investigations by unqualified persons should be discouraged.

Both the need and the opportunity for archeological investigations at Point Lookout are great. I look forward to hearing your reaction to the present proposal.

Sincerely.

Tyler Eastian State Archeologist

TB: nab
cc: Kenneth N. Weaver, State Geologist
Garry W. Stone, Archeologist
St. Mary's City Commission
James Mallow, State Naturalist
encs.

P.S. Since drafting this letter, I have received two additional requests for exploration in State Parks, including Point Lookout.

St. Mary's City Commission



ST. MARY'S CITY, MARYLAND 20686

AGENCY FOR PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARYLAND'S FIRST CAPITAL 1634

October 5, 1972

Mr. Tyler Bastian Maryland Geological Survey, Latrobe Hall Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

Thank you for your telephone call of October 4, 1972. I have informed Jon Kent of the progress to date and he is still very interested in being the contractor for the site survey. We will be able to meet with you in Morgantown on October 12th to discuss Point Lookout. I have read our copy of your letter to William Parr, and feel that you stated the case rather well. Certainly a survey and salvage archaeology need to be done.

The only problem in your letter is the involvement of the St. Mary's City Commission. As I mentioned in our telephone conversation of October 4th, it is my understanding from Garry that the St. Mary's City Commission cannot be involved with Point Lookout in any way that will mean a major expediture of our time. Another more serious problem would be laboratory space, the four rooms we had last summer have shrunk back to two rooms, and we could not possibly absorb other excavated collections or provide work space. Jon Kent is teaching a course for St. Mary's College which might enable him to secure a room from the school. These details will have to be worked out before we get together with Mr. Parr. Hopefully, we can get all of these things worked out and a program going soon.

Sincerely,

GEORGE L. MILLER

George L. Miller

Conservator

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St. Mary's City Commission



ST. MARY'S CITY, MARYLAND 20686

AGENCY FOR PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARYLAND'S FIRST CAPITAL 1634

October 30, 1972

Mr. Tyler Bastian, State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall The Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

Thank you for your letter of October 2 and the enclosed correspondence. I regret taking so long to respond to it.

The part of Point Lookout which might not keep until next spring is the earthwork (Fort Lincoln?) Its destruction by shore erosion is presently being speeded by vandalism. There has been some digging into the bank around the brick masonry buried beneath it. If this section of shore cannot be stabilized this winter, something should be done to record those features collapsing into the water. If the underbrush could be cleared from the mounds, Sandy Morrison and I could spend one day mapping and photographing.

I am sorry Dr. Forman feels the way he does about the Commission, but there is apparently nothing that you or I can do to change his opinions. All our architectural remains will be recorded on HABS sheets. Hicks and Popes will be rendered this winter; St. John's next winter when the excavation is complete. Cary is already recording his architectural sites on HABS forms. Within the month I shall send both you and Dr. Forman copies of the preliminary plan of St. John's.

I learned from Art Townsend that you and he met shortly after our phone conversation. I hope my letter to the Curtses reflects the spirit of your discussions.

Sincerely yours.

Garry Wheeler Stone Archaeologist

GWS/sjs

P. S. Would you be good enough to send us more "Maryland Archeological Site Survey" forms?



WILLIAM A. PARR DIRECTOR

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE STATE OFFICE BUILDING ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

November 6, 1972

Mr. Tyler Bastian
State Archeologist
Maryland Geological Survey
Latrobe Hall
The Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

Reference is made to your letter of September 29, 1972, and to our telephone conversations concerning this letter. Confirming the telephone conversation, I agree that we should refuse all permits for exploration at any State park and especially at Point Lookout. Certainly at Point Lookout we can refuse on the basis of the fact that we intend to do archeological work of our own at this site.

As soon as you are available I suggest that we meet Jonathan Kent. I have discussed this with Tom Andrews, the Administrative Officer of the Department of Natural Resources, and he is agreeable to making a consulting contract with Kent in the amount of \$5000. We should make sure that all materials or artifacts which are found should be preserved for eventual use and exhibition at Point Lookout State Park.

Also, I have received a request through Alex Sandusky by the Commercial Watermen's Association in Charles County to establish a landing at the Purse property. The high banks at this property contain a large number of fossil remains of various types and I think it would be well if you and I took a look at this property some time soon.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM A. PARR

Director

WAP/ca

Divison of Archeology 6 Dec 72

Mr. William Parr

Tyler Bastian

re: Point Lookout

I have not contacted you to arrange a time to visit Point Lookout because our emergency salvage project in Garrett County has been more productive and time consuming than I had anticipated. We are still working there as weather permits. I will call you when we are finished.

Division of Archeology 13 Dec 72

Mr. William A. Parr Director Maryland Park Service State Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Parr:

This will confirm our phone conversation concerning a meeting with Jon Kent in your office at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, December 20th to discuss and prepare a contract for archeological work at Point Lookout.

I have drafted a contract of the sort normally used in archeological work which I am sending to you as a suggestion. We have found if advisable to be fairly explicit about the procedures and what is expected in the way of a report. Also, it is customary to withhold about 20% of the total contract amount pending satisfactory completion of the contract terms. I will try to reach you by phone before our Wednesday meeting.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/nab encs.

Division of Archeology 13 Dec 72

Mr. Jonathan Kent Caroline Hall St. Mary's College St. Mary's City, Maryland 20686

Dear Jon:

The enclosed draft of a contract for the Point Lookout Survey is open to discussion and change. I will call you about it early next week.

I have made no mention of the role that the St. Mary's City Commission will play in providing you space and some equipment as I assume that is an informal arrangement.

You and Dennis must be prepared to work informally with the construction people since a formal work stoppage may give us a black eye. If something really spectacular turns up, I would still be extremely gautious in proposing a formal work stoppage.

Yesterday I mailed you 1:100 scale maps covering the area south of lake Conoy. You say be surprised to see the extent of the planned developments and consequent defacement of Point Lookout. We should withhold any judgments on this until we have completed our field work and report. Premature opinions might endanger the present contract as well as future work.

A mylar copy of the 1:200 scale map of the entire park is being sent to me. When it arrives I will send you two blue line copies.

Garry indicated the need to enlarge the plan on p. 105 of Beitzell's book and trace it on one of the modern maps, but he said there were no facilities down there. I've promised to try my hand at this over the Holidays as we have the equipment. The copy in Beitzell's book is slightly distorted, but will do the best I can with it unless you can come up with a better copy.

Please complete 3 copies of the enclosed antiquities permit application so that I can process it.

Another after-thought is the need for infra-red aerial photos. They really ought to be flown, although I realize this takes a big chunk of the \$1,000 for supplies, etc.

Sincerely,

Tyler Eastian State Archeologist

TB/nab encs.

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Date:

Title: Archeological Survey of Point Lookout State

Park, St. Mary's County,

Maryland.

Maryland Park Service
William A. Parr, Director
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301-269-0164, Ext. 5761

Contractor: Jonathan Kent

Caroline Hall

St. Mary's College

St. Mary's City, Maryland 20686

301-994-1600, ext. 343 or 301-994-1790

Objectives:

(1) To discover and interpret archeological evidence (historic and prehistoric) exposed on the surface or by construction work; (2) to locate additional archeological remains through study of historical sources and the test excavations; (3) to salvage archeological data being destroyed by erosion and construction; and (4) to prepare a detailed archeological base map and a test descriptive and interpretive report based on the field and library investigation.

I. The Contractor agrees to:

A. Examine available pictorial and written historical records relating to Point Lookout. Primary attention should be given to the Civil War period,

although some attention must be given to the earlier and later use of the area in order to enable indentification of remains in the field. Much of this information has been collected in various issues of the "Chronicles of St. Mary's County" (the monthly bulletin of the St. Mary's County Historical Society, Edwin W. Beitzell, editor), and in the recent book, "Point Lookout Prison Camp for Confederates" by Edwin W. Beitzell, Abell, Maryland. However, original documents and additional sources that may have particular relevance to the archeological investigations should be consulted when feasible.

B. Conduct a thorough archeological survey of all land within the Joundaries of Point Lookout State Park, including Treasure Island and all land south of Lake Conoy. Permission should be obtained before investigating private property; a permit from the National Park Service will be required if it in the necessary to examine the Point Lookout U.S. Coast Guard Reservation. The archeological survey will consist private of a walking reconnaissance in search of surface evidence with test excavations. Available aerial photographs should be examined. Other special techniques may be used at the discretion of the investigator. And With Meperm see of Managery Managery and Managery a

general nature of archeological deposits discovered. Test executations will also be conducted in an affort to locate and confirm the identity of historical structures for which there is no surface evidence. The excavations will be made and recorded according to accepted professional practices in archeology. Before making any excavations which may interfere with the normal usage of the Park or with construction activities, the Park Superintendent and/or the construction contractor, as appropriate, shall be consulted. Protection of the excavations and backfilling will be the responsibility of the archeological contractor.

D. Salvage data by means of drawings, sketches, photographs, and collection of artifacts from archeological deposits being exposed by erosion or construction. Recovery of data exposed during construction must be done in cooperation with the construction contractor and in such a manner as to not make unreasonable

or excessive demands on his time in normal procedures. If the construction activities encounter an archeological deposit of exception significance and value which can not be minimally studied and recorded in the time available before it will be destroyed, work stoppage will require an order from the construction project's engineer after consultation with the Maryland Park Service and the State Archeologist.

- E. Supply the necessary personnel, equipment, and materials to accomplish the archeological field work, photography, drafting, laboratory processing, and report preparation. The primary photographic record must be black and white film; it may be supplimented with color slides.
- F. Clean, stabilize, and catalog the artifacts recovered. In the event that large quantities of artifacts are found and/or unusual problems of preservation are encountered, it may be necessary to be selective in the specimens chosen for cleaning and stabilization.
 - G. Complete field work by July 1, 1973.
- H. Submit 4 copies of a short progress report (1 or 2 pages in length) at the completion of the first 3 months of field work (about April 1, 1973).
- I. Submit 4 copies of a short preliminary report at the completion of field work (about guly 1, 1973).
- J. Submit 4 copies of a final report meeting accepted scientific standards tender of the line by October 1, 1973. The report will consist of a base map showing the location of all archeological remains and the conjectured locations of former structures. The accompanying text should briefly state the procedures used in the investigation, summarize and/or cite the relevant historical data, describe the findings of the investigation, and present an interpretive summary with recommendations. The descriptive sections of the text should briefly describe each site and feature descovered and should key them to the base map. Plans, sketches, and/or photographs of the most important sites or features should be included. Selected artifacts should be listed or briefly described and illustrated. Complete descriptions and analysis of the features and artifacts recovered are not ex-

pected under terms of this contract. The recommendations should discuss needs for additional investigation, areas and sites worth of preservation, and the potential for interpretive displays in the park. Publication of the report under his name and professional title will be the prerogative of the Contractor; such publication will include all due acknowledgement to the Maryland Park Service.

K. Submit one of the 4 copies of each report and base map directly to the State Archeologist, Maryland Geological Survey, Johns hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, 21218.

L. Make available for inspection by the Maryland Park Service the State Archeologist at reasonable times during field and laboratory work all drawings, photographs, notes, and artifacts.

M. Furnish to the Maryland Park Service all artifacts recovered under terms of this contract; the artifacts will be related to their provenience and so recorded in a catalog supplied byy the Contractor. (The artifacts will remain the property of the Maryland Park Service, but matters relating to their storage and care will be determined by the State Archeologist until such time as the Park Service may have a professional archeologist on its staff. Artifacts under the care of the State Archeologist will be available for display and study innder appropriate conditions and by qualified personnel.)

N. Furnish to the Maryland Park ervice completed drawings (plans and cross sections) of excavated features and trench profiles which are related to horizontal and vertical controls established by the Contractor and shown on the archeological base map.

graph negatives their storage and care will be under the direction of the State Archeologist until such time as the Park Service may have a permanent archeologist on its staff. All photographs are to be fully annotated.

II. The Maryland Park Service agrees to:

- A. Make available to the Contractor any historical records on Point Lookout preserved in its files; permit examination and study of artifacts in its possession; and to make available its files of maps, plans and aerial photographs of the Park. Copies of these records will be furnished at cost upon the request of the Contractor.
- B. Cooperate with the Contractor in exprecting barriers or protection for archeological excavations and in backfilling excavations.
 - C. Pay the Contractor the sum of \$5,000 as follows:

\$1,500 at inception of field work; \$1,500 upon receipt of the first progress report; \$1,000 upon receipt of the second progress report; and

\$1,000 upon receipt and acceptance by the

Maryland Park Service and the State

Archeologist the final report and the

annotated photographs and catalogued

collection.

III. It is mutually understood and agreed that this contract is subject to the general previsions attched hereto, including the Maryland Antiquities Law and its provisions requiring an approved permit form the Maryland Geological Survey.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have hereunto subscribed their mames.

The Maryland Park Service

Division of Archeology 26 Jan 73

Mr. Jonathan D. Kent Caroline Hall St. Mary's College of Maryland St. Mary's City, Maryland 20686

Dear Jon:

I am returning your copy of the approved antiquity permit.

Please note that I have made two changes on the front and added two items on the back that are standard with all of our permits and should have been printed on the form.

The aims of the project, as indicated in the contract memorandum, are to do a general archeological survey (prehistoric and historic) of the entire park with salvage and testing as necessary. Your wording in ttem 4 concerning the aim of the project is much too marrow, but with the slight change I have made it is akay. Please let me know if there is some misunderstanding on this point.

In item 8 I've added my office since satisfactory storage for the entire collection at Point Lookout can not be assured at the present time. But that's not really your problem.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/mab

copy to Pave including contract

Division of Archeology 13 April 73

Mr. James E. Mallow Park Naturalist Maryland Park Service State Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21h01

Dear Jim:

I have reviewed Jonathan Kent's interim report of 1 April 73 concerning the archeological project at Point Lookout Park. The report indicates satisfactory progress toward the goals of the survey. The extent that he has enlisted the aid of so many interested persons is commendable. In places the report is not specific about the nature of the "features" encountered, but after discussing these with Kent I am satisfied that they will be clarified in future reports. I recommend that the Maryland Park Service accept the interim report and pay the sum agreed upon.

The special efforts by acting Superintendent Sword in providing laboratory space and in doing historical research are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/nab cc: Gerald J. Sword Jonathan Kent

Division of Archeology 14 June 73

Mr. Jonathan Kent Caroline Hall St. Mary's College St. Mary's City, Maryland 20686

Dear Jon:

After reflecting on my visit with you at Point Lookout on 29 May 73, I have put togather a few observations.

I am a bit slow in getting this letter out to you, but as I believe you planned to be out of state until mid-June, my delay may be of no importance.

It appears to me that there are four critical areas of field work to be completed:

- 1. Intensive survey and some testing of the neck of land at the west end of Lake Conoy and morth of the channel cut; have Mr. Beitzell pinpoint for you the entrenchments that he has mentioned for this area.
- 2. Slit trenches to determine if the depressions we looked at west of route 5 may be the remains of a fortification.
- 3. Partial excavation of the "oven" feature on the east side of Fort Lincoln.

4. Slit trenching with mechanical digger in areas not eroded away where Civil Way period maps and sketches indicate concentrations of buildings.

5. Lunchone well of the plotographers studies in an effort to determine its graphers.

The latter suggestion was made by George Miller, and I think it is a good one. For example, the general area of the cluster of buildings (stables, carpenter shop, and blacksmith shop) east of the farm house should be readily accessible and easily explored with a series of narrow trenches dug by a small mechanical ditcher. Exposures by beach erosion and recent construction have already eliminated many areas, but we should make certain that nothing has been overlooked.

I have had some second thoughts about the present need for additional investigation of Fort Lincoln. Since the archeological potential of the fort and adjacent area is now obvious, it seems neither necessary nor desirable to conduct any more explorations in that area (except to adequately test the "oven") since such work is beyond the objectives of the survey and impossible on an adequate scale with the resources presently available. The less it is explored and the longer the tangle of honeysuckles and trees are allowed to remain in place the more likely the area can be protexted from erosion and vandalism until the fort can be cleared, studied, and stabilized on a scale commensurate with its importance. The present survey should concentrate on eliminating or confirming the archeological potential of other areas in the Fark.

I have had a check made of the holdings of the Maryland Historical Society in Baltimore concerning Point Lookout. They have no records not included in Beitzell's book, and no artifacts.

The Hammond Gazette was a weekly begun 17 Nov 1862 and ceased publication sometime during 1863, according to the Union List of Newspapers.

I was glad to have the opportunity to go over your project with you, and I am pleased with the progress you have made. It is always discouraging to encounter so much negative evidence, but without your work we would not know what the situation is. It is important to make sure that the remaining areas are thoroughly explored before concluding that nothing is present. Please call me collect if you have problems or questions.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/nab

cc: William A. Parr Gerald J. Sword Edwin W. Beitzell

Division of Archeology 15 Oct 73

Mr. Jonathan D. Kent
P.O. Box 131
St. Mary!a City, Maryland 20686

Dear Jon:

You have done a good job on the progress report, and most of my red marks have to do with details. The only thing that might be added are some very brief acknowledgments such as the continuing cooperation of Gerry Sword, etc. As soom as I receive a copy of your final version of this progress report, I will get a mote off to the Maryland Park Service recommending that they process your payment.

Please let me know if I can be of some help with the format or content of the final report. I am anxious to see it completed soon, and it will be necessary to keep it within reasonable length.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/nab

Division of Archeology 4 Feb 74

Mr. Jonathan D. Kent General Delivery Washington's Birthplace Wakefield, Virginia 23888

Dear Jon:

Congratulations on your new job at Flowerdew with Norman Barka and Lefty Gregory. It should prove quite a challenge as well as being exceptionally interesting.

I am wondering about the status of your project at Point Lookout. George Miller tells me that all of the collections are in order and that you are working on the final report. Are the collections ready for me to pick up and store here in my facilities? Or will you be needing them some more? According to our agreement with you and the Maryland Park Service, I am to be responsible for their care and I assume that adequate facilities are not available at this time at Point Lookout.

Jim Mallow of the Park Service called me this morning to report that Jerry Sword has found a square brick platform which Sword thinks may be the center of the hospital and that further up the beach sword has found what he believes to be postmolds associated with alignments of mails. The latter area is to be destroyed soon by new rip-rap. I talked to George Miller this monning, and either he or Silas Hurry plan to check with Sword in an attempt to confirm Sword's observations and to relate them to your work. This points up the need for having your completed report as soon as possible, especially the base map. Would it be practical for you to complete and submit the map in advance of the rest of the report? As you are aware, the Maryland Park Service has a long-term project of development at Point Lookout. The sooner we can document the archeological features in the arcqthe better our chances will be that significant features can be preserved or developed in a suitable manner.

According to my records, the Status of your contract with the Maryland Park Service is as follows:

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Is this correct? Can you give us some idea when you will be submitting the final report? As I have mentioned to you before, the report need not be overly long or detailed but should include minimum ddcumentation for your intestigations and interpretations. I will be glad to review a preliminary draft if you would like. Please let me know if I can be of some help in any other way.

Give my regards to Barka and Gregory.

Contendt Belsienle

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/nab

1 Oct 73

Jonathan D. Kent
c/o General Delivery
Washington's Birthplace,
Virginia 22575
804-224-/985
Feb., 11, 1974
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Mr. Tyler Bastian State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall The Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

Thank you for your recent letter. Ism sorry that I haven't contacted you sooner, but as you predicted, the move to another job has consumed a great deal of time and energy and I am only now getting settled here. With regard to the Pt. Lookout Project, I should like to reply to the points raised in your letter as follows:

1.

- 1. Contrary to what George Miller has told you, the collections are just now in order. George was assisting in the identification of ceramic dates from only two areas of the site which were prepared especially for him to examine.
- 2. I am indeed working on the final report. My first task has been to put the field notes in proper conditions for turning over to you. Confidentially, Silas did a very poor job, and numerous gaps had to be filled in. I am now preparing the site base map showing artifact concentrations to send to you. It should be ready in about a week.
- 3. The artifacts, with the exception of several lots of ceramics and glass which I have with me are stored in St. Mary's City along with some of my personal belongings. Unless you need them right away, I feel it would be better to wait until the pulled artifacts are replaced.
 - 4. With regard to Ranger Sword's findings:
- a) The square platform referred to is actually two sides of a foundation and two collapsed walls. It's interpretation as the center building of the hospital is extremely tenuous and rests on several assumptions which may or may not be correct. We recorded this foundation as early as January of 1973, but at this time I am uncertain of the date of construction. A corrugated metal (tin?) drain pipe was found at the base of the southern wall of this structure when we uncovered it down to the water line. Also, as far as I can tell, the bricks were not definitely handmade. At this point, I would be unwilling to state unequivocally that this building is the center building of the hospital, or that it is even related to it. Artifacts found in the sand during our operations here were all of twentieth century manufacture, although they admittedly could have been deposited at a later time. On the other hand, based on my reconstruction of the positions of the structures associated with the Civil War occupation, its position corresponds very closely to what would have been the central hub of the hospital.
- b) I have not seen the postmolds associated with alignments of nails, I do not believe. However, as you will see in the base map which I shall forward

to you, there are numerous trash-laden features which have been salvaged in this area, several areas of brick and nail concentrations, one area where bricks were found in <u>situ</u> with aligned nails in association (Could this be what Mr. Sword is referring to?), and one post hole. In short, this area is definitely of archaeological significance and should be completely explored before rip-rap operations in the area begin.

- 5. As indicated above, I shall send you the base map showing feature areas and artifect concentrations in about a week.
 - 6. The contract you outlined is in accordance with my records.
- 7. Based on the completion of field work (actual), the scheduled completion of the final report was impossible to meet. As you probably can tell, I am in the final stages of information correlation and the final report should be out very shortly. I'm sorry that I can't be more definite than this, but I would like to assure you that the report is receiving top priority until its completion.
- 8. Finally, I would like clarification on "minimum documentation for ... investigations and interpretations" as that could prove quite helpful in my write up.

Thank you for everything you have done thus far. Please give my regards to the people in Annapolis.

Sincerely.

Jonathan D. Kent

Pt. Lookout

Jon Kent called collect re letter he had just received from Mallow indicationg that the \$1000 due him may not be available if he does not get his report in soon. Kent said he had finished map and was on way to mail it when he received the letter.

I called Mallow and he confirmed that upstairs pressure was on him to spend the \$1000.

No problem in lossing the money, but it is already carried over from last fiscal year.

Called Kent again suggesting he call Mallow and also write to him. He will send tracing of his map which I can use for blueline prints.

The agreed, dwing first call, on a date to fave report completed. Was it march 31?

Jonathan D. Kent c/o General Delivery Washington's Birthplace, Virginia 22575

February 21, 1974

Mr. Tyler Bastian
State Archaeologist
Maryland Geological Survey
Latrobe Hall
The Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

I have enclosed for your records a copy of the letter I have written to Mr. Mallow, State Naturalist.

I want to thank you sincerely for the assistance in clearing up the matter of concern to Mr. Mallow and you. Frankly, when I received Mr. Mallow's alarming letter, I was prepared to throw in the towel.

I am planning to mail you the Clearprint tracing of the base map and the list of explainations for numbers shown on the map tomorrow.

Thank you again for your continued attention and assistance.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. Kent

Jenathan D. Kent c/e General Delivery Washington's Birthplace, Virginia 22575

February 20, 1974

Mr. James Mallew State Naturalist Maryland Park Service Tawes State Office Building Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Mallew,

Immediately upon receipt of your letter dated February 14, 1974 (received February 20, 1974), I called State Archaeologist, Tyler Bastian for a recommendation with regard to this matter. He informed me at that time that he would call you himself to get the matter cleared up and then would call me back later in the day.

As you probably now know, Mr. Bastian had contacted me earlier by mail expressing concerns similar to these expressed in your letter... regarding the submission of the final report on the Point Lookout Salvage and Survey Project. For your information, I have enclosed copies of both Mr. Bastian's letter and my reply. Please be advised that the base map referred to is one or two days away from mailing to Mr. Bastian. At that time he will make copies for distribution to all interested parties.

When Mr. Bastian called me back on the afternoon of the 20th, he informed me that he had indeed spoken to you, and that the matter had been cleared up. I sincerely hope this to be the case, since the final report is nearing completion... as Mr. Bastian may

have informed you.

Please accept my sincerest apelegies for any inconvenience I may have caused you to date. Please feel free to call or write. My effice phone is: (804) 224-1985. My address is that listed in the letterhead(please note to correct your records).

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Jonathan D. Kent

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l copy: Mr. Bastian

Division of Archeology 28 Feb 74

Mr. Jonathan D. Kent c/o General Delivery Washington's Birthplace, Virgina 22575

Dear Jon:

I have sent four copies of the Point Lookout archeological base map and list of explanations to Jim Mallow, and I am returning the original map to you as requested, under separate cover.

You have done a good job on the map, and the only thing I can comment on new is the missing "photographic studio". I look ferward to your further interpretations of the features you have found and how they may relate to the Civil War or other periods of activity at Point Lookout.

Your letter to Jim Mallow does not give any indication as to when you expect to have the final report to him. I think it is important that you set a realistic time for completion, add on a couple of weeks, let Mallow know your deadline, and then meet the deadline. Also, under terms of the contract, we are to receive the field records and artifacts in addition to the final report before final payment can be authorized. I am willing to assist in any practical way that I can.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TE/nab cc: James Mallow

Point Lookout from Jerry Sword 19 Mar 74

 T_{W^0} from St. Mary's City measured "oven", and construction workers agreed to pullik it up on the shore.

Sandy Morrison called later to report that he and George Miller recorded the brick structure which a local informant ************ said are the remains of a structure traditionally known as the old bake oven. It measures about 20 by 20 ft. It is at north end of the Navy's metal sea/ wall. There is no brick on the shore adjacent to the "bake oven."

There are measured drawings of the posts found.

St. Mary's City Commission



ST. MARY'S CITY, MARYLAND 20686

AGENCY FOR PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARYLAND'S FIRST CAPITAL 1634

March 26, 1974

Mr. Tyler Bastian, State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

It was good to chat with you on the 20th. As promised, I have enclosed a slide of the structure which George and I recorded at Point Lookout.

I think the structure at Point Lookout has been adequately recorded in light of the existing circumstances. It has been photographed in overall plan and in closeup to show the masonry detail. A portion of the masonry detail has been drawn in plan and section, and an overall plan of the surviving brickwork (intact and collapsed) has been made. Additionally, the site's location is shown on Jon Kent's base map for the Park. I think that the best bet for an interpretation is the elderly informant's recollection that it is a "bake oven." There are neither artifacts nor stratigraphy to aid in this determination.

Hope we will see you soon.

Sincerely,

Alexander H. Morrison, II
Assistant Archaeologist

Enclosure

AHM/sjs

St. Mary's City Commission



ST. MARY'S CITY, MARYLAND 20686

AGENCY FOR PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARYLAND'S FIRST CAPITAL 1634

May 20, 1974

Mr. Tyler Bastian, State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall Johns Hôpkins University Baltimore, Md. 21218

Dear Tyler:

Could you drop me a note -- What is the site number for Point Lookout? Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sara Jane Stone (Mrs. G. W.) Administrative Assistant

Research Office



GERALD J. SWORD SUPERINTENDENT

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

August 16, 1974

TELEPHONE 872-5688

Mr Tyler Bastian State Archaeologist Latrobe Hall Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Tyler:

RE: Point L okout Salvage and Survey Project by Jonathan D. Kent - 1973

Thanks for your telephone call today concerning the subject report. It has been some time since I've had an opportunity to talk with you.

Mr Kent stopped by the park office on April 30, 1974, to receive my comments concerning his report and to return some archival material and books which he had borrowed. At that time he mentioned your comment about the weak documentation and/or interpretation of what he indicated as the "cow yard area" west of Maryland Route 5, and north of the park's present boat facility. He also said he was going to forward a list of errata within the next few weeks.

To answer a few of your questions concerning the report I can only recall some of the information without reviewing the file. However, I remember that he had indicated the light house and the light keeper's howse as separate structures and that one was likely located on the "Garden Plot". From the primary documents it appears that they were a part of each other and that the present day lighthouse is a part of the original. There was also a photograph printed in reverse.

Concerning the central fort which we talked about, I have enclosed typed copies of two letters from C. S. Stewart, Major of Engineers to Brig. Gen'l Delafield for you to read. Also enclosed is a zerox copy of Stewart's map of the three forts and the location of a proposed fort. I will bring some other materials with me Wednesday concerning the sale of the government property after the war and the gun platform inventories.

Looking forward to seeing you next week and talking about the subject report.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Sword Park Superintendent

CC: File

Mr Mallow

Brig. Genl. Richard Delafield Chief Engineer, U.S. Army Washington, D. C.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith a requisition for funds to enable me to procure materials and if possible laborers for commencing defensive works at this point-also, a sketch showing the approximate position of three square redoubts proposed as the least that can be done to render the portion secure from within- and without so far as the approach by land is concerned.

The redoubt on the right is the more effectually to close the passage from within to without as well as from without inward and to have a fire in the rebel pen- The one on the left answers a similar object in that side. The intermediate one to procure a cross fire in front of the breast work on the spit to the left and the fords at the mouth of the creek as well as a direct fire along the narrow spit beyond the ford. It also has fires to the front and rear of the other redoubts in the low ground an the opposite side of the creek. A fourth might be placed on higher ground near the SW corner of the rebel pen where indicated on the sketchen further to the left and front.

The works are enclosed under the supposition they will be always occupied, and thus as enclosed work, be secure from a sudden rush of prisoners should the latter in any way succeed in heaving out of their pens and overpowering the guards and fine permits under the five of which the latter might be rallied. The redoubts are to be about 60 years in the side the wt. crest about 8' above the ground. The latter is quite-low and water will be reached generally at some three feet below the surface, it is reported, if not sooner.

As yet laborers have not been procured and by a line received from Lieut. Mansfield, it seems he thinks it will not be possible to procure them at less than if at \$1.25 a day and a ration in addition, and we will have to encase them. At present impressed laborers in Baltimore are receiving from \$1.50 to \$1.75 per day. They can get very few soldiers from the garrison and not all of them able bodied. At best, the work, the soil in part tough clay, in others sandy, will be slow and costly.

The prisoners pen is probably some 1900 yards in circuit and consists simply of a high board fence, perhaps 13 foot in height. The first, young pine,

some 8" or 9" inches in diameter, about 8' apart and the rails and braces on the exterior about 3" X 4" inch joists. A wall for sentries is placed on the exterior some three feet below the top of the fence. The boards, vertical are but one inch in thickness. The whole seems to me a very insecure arrangement for the purpose contemplated when the relative numbers of the confined and the garrison are considered.

I would respectfully request that I may be speedily notified when money will be available for these works that the men may be brought here as soon as possible and that I may have the means to pay off immediately such as may have authority.

I have the honor to be sir

Very respectfully

Your obedient servent

C. Seaforth
Gleafirth Stewart

Major of Engineers

LARGE SALE OF GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND OTHER PROPERTY AT POINT LOOKOUT, MARYLAND

HEADQUARTER'S DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON, OFFICE OF CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, WASHINGTON, D.C., DECEMBER 29, 1865.

Will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at POINT LOOKOUT, MD., commencing THURSDAY, January 18, 1866, at 10 o' clock A.M., the following frame buildings and other public property at that place, viz:

UNITED STATES GENERAL HOSPITAL.

One Headquarters Building, 175 by 25 feet; 15 hospital wards, each 175 by 25 feet; one Mess-house, 250 by 28 feet; one Guard's Quarters, 167 by 24 feet; one Gontraband Quarters, 60 by 14 feet; one kitchen, 60 by 28 feet; one Chapel, 77 by 25 feet; one Laundry, 99 by 22 feet, with stationary Engine,
Locomotive Boiler, and all the necessary apparatus for steam laundry and drying; one Cow Stable, 91 by 14 feet; one Horse Stable, 52 by 21 feet; one Wagon-house, small; one Baggage-house, 55 by 25 feet; one Warehouse, 55 by 25 feet; one Ice-house, 40 by 30 feet, and 19 feet high; Water-Tank Building, 17 by 17 feet, 30 feet high, with circular water-tank 16 feet diameter; two Coal-houses, one Saw-house, one Forage-house, one Dead-house, and one Wash-house, of various dimensions; also covered Plank

Footwalks connecting the above buildings; aggregate length 1,860 feet, and 8 feet wide.

The above mentioned Headquarters Building is two stories high, lathed and plastered, and the fifteen Hospital Wards, the Mess-house, and a few other structures are also lathed and plastered.

PRISON CAMP

10 Hospital Wards, each 140 by 25 feet; 7 Cookhouses, each 143 by 22 feet; one Cook-house, 120 by 26 feet; one Cook-house, 140 by 25 feet, with two wings, each 30 by 20 feet; one Headquarters Building, 72 by 24 feet, with two wings, each 40 by 20 feet; one C. S. Storehouse, 90 by 22 feet; one Dispensary, 40 by 38 feet; one Chapel, 100 by 24 feet; one Express Office, 30 by 16 feet; one Guard House, (block), 50 by 15 feet; one Quarters, one Office, and one Storeroom, of various dimensions; also, 9,188 lineal feet of Fencing, 12 feet high; 310 lineal feet of Board Fence, 6 feet high; 700 lineal feet of covered Plank Footwalks, 12 feet wide; and 9,188 lineal feet of Plank Footwalk, 4 feet wide, with rail.

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT

One Quarters, 100 by 28 feet; one Quarters, 100 by 14 feet; one Quarters, 72 by 22 feet; one Quarters, 69 by 28 feet; three Stables, averaging 139 by 27 feet each; one Storehouse, 84 by 27 feet; one Smith Shop, 53 by 24 feet; one Wheelwright shop, 57 by 14 feet; and four offices, three Quarters, two Storehouses, one Oil-house; one Saddler's Shop, and one Mess House, of various dimensions.

MISCELLANEOUS BUILDINGS AND OTHER PROPERTY

One Post Hospital, 70 by 25 feet; one Commissary Storehouse, 200 by 35 feet; one Commissary Salesroon and Office, 84 by 27 feet; one Office, 27 by 16 feet; one Guard House, (log), 50 by 50 feet; one Guard House, (log) 30 by 20 feet; two frame Guard Houses, small size; one Barrack, at Fort Lincoln, 60 by 20 feet; one Ordinance Storehouse, 54 by 12 feet; one Slaughter House, 40 by 24 feet, with Shed 24 by 13 feet, and Out-building 9 by 9 feet; one Stable, 36 by 22 feet, and 10 kitchens, Quarters, &c..of various dimensions.

One wharf of Timber and Lumber, 476 feet long, and varying in width from 22 to 102 feet; 248 lineal feet of Stockade, 11 feet high on Potomac side, with block-house 20 by 30 feet, four platforms, each 16 by 12 feet, and 100 lineal feet of plank footwalk, 6 feet wide. 157 lineal feet of Stockade on Bay side, with block-house 25 by 20 feet, and three platforms of various dimensions, and a footwalk.

One Hose Carriage; 28 Fire Ladders; 24 Axes; 116 Fire Buckets; and six lengths of Hose, each 51 feet long.

Three Cooking Ranges; one Perpetual Oven; a quantity of old lumber, and a number of Pumps.

Point Lookout, situated at the junction of the Potomac river with Chesapeake Bay, was, before the war, a favorite watering place, and is adapted for the purpose now, having excellent facilities for salt-water bathing, and abundance of fish and game.

The buildings above enumerated under the head of "United States General Hospital" are located directly on the Point, the principal structures being arranged in a circle, radiating from a common centre, and connected by covered footwalks, and could with moderate expense be fitted up properly for the accommodation of visitors, as a steam-laundry, ice-house, coal-house, water-tanks, and many other necessary structures for the purpose, are ready for immediate use. An excellent opportunity is also afforded to land-owners in the vicinity, and elsewhere, to secure valuable fencing and building material.

A steamer will leave the Government wharves, south side of the basin, near Fardy's shippard, Baltimore, Md., at 10 o' clock on the morning of Wednesday, January 17, 1866, for the transportation of bidders to Point Lookout; and will be retained until the close of the sale to return the passengers to Baltimore. Meals will be furnished on the boat at the usual (steamboat) rates.

The Buildings will be sold singly, and other property in lots to suit purchasers.

The military guard will remain in charge of the Buildings, & c., for fifteen days after the sale, if desired, and purchasers will be allowed twenty days in which to remove their property.

Terms: Cash, in Government funds.

M. 1. LUDINGTON, Colonel and Chief Quartermaster, Department of Washington.

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Division of Archeology 27 Aug 74

Mrs. Sara Jane Stone
Administrative Assistant
Research Office
St. Mary's City Commission
Box 26
St. Mary's City, Maryland 20686

Dear Sara Jane:

The site numbers assigned by Jon Kent, so far as I have determined, are:

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ST 59 Dump for Point Lookout Hotel near bend in Rte. 5

ST 60 18th and 19th century farm house area south of fort

ST 62 house site on SE shore of Lake Conoy (from where George has large sherds)

I don't know what happened to ST 61.

Sincerely,

Tyler Bastian State Archeologist

TB/nab

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Jerry Sword
Tyler Bastian

Here is Jon Kent's map and his key.

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JAMES B. COULTER SECRETARY LOUIS N. PHIPPS, JR. DEPUTY SECRETARY

STATE OF MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

CAPITAL PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION

TAWES STATE OFFICE BUILDING ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

301-267-5344

DECEMBER 5, 1974

FRED L. ESKEW

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

FOR CAPITAL PROGRAMS

DR. EMERY T. CLEAVES
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
214 LATROBE HALL
THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21218

RE: POINT LOOKOUT PRISON CAMP

HUSBAND FLINT MILL

ELKRIDGE PREHISTORIC VILLAGE

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES

DEAR DR. CLEAVES:

THE NOMINATION FOR DESIGNATION OF PART OF POINT LOOKOUT AS A HISTORIC REGISTER SITE IS DEFINITELY IN CONFLICT WITH EXISTING PLANS OF THIS DEPARTMENT. IN THE CASES OF HUSBAND FLINT MILL AND THE ELKRIDGE SITES, NO CONFLICTS IN PLANS ARE INVOLVED; HOWEVER, ISSUES ARE RAISED THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED BEFORE THIS DEPARTMENT CAN ENDORSE THE NOMINATION OF THESE SITES.

WE HAVE SCHEDULED A MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF HISTORIC TRUST TO DISCUSS THESE NOMINATIONS. REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PARK SERVICE, MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS HAVE BEEN INVITED. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 17, 1974 AT 9:00 A.M. IN THE TAWES STATE OFFICE BUILDING, C-3 CONFERENCE ROOM.

SINCERELY YOURS.

JOHN R. CAPPER

DIRECTOR /

LAND PLANNING SERVICES

JRC: BRM

CC: FRED L. ESKEW
WILLIAM A. PARR

ROBERT R. BUSHNELL

Tyler Please make arrangement: to attend this meeting from

12/10/74.

IN ATTENDENCE
DECEMBER 17, 1974
MEETING ON ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AT
POINT LOOK
HUSBAND FLINT MILL
ELKRIDGE PREHISTORIC VILLAGE

ROBERT A. ELLSWORTH

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GERALD T. SWORD

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY
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DECEMBER 11, 1974

TO:

WILLIAM A. PARR WILLIAM A. KREBS TYLER BASTIAN ROBERT BUSHNELL NANCY MILLER EMERY T. CLEAVES FRED L. ESKEW

FROM:

JOHN R. CAPPER JAMES

SUBJ:

NEW TIME FOR DECEMBER 17TH MEETING WITH MARYLAND

HISTORICAL TRUST

THIS WILL CONFIRM THE NEW TIME (1:30 P.M.) FOR OUR MEETING ON DECEMBER 17, 1974 IN THE C-3 CONFERENCE ROOM, TAWES STATE OFFICE BUILDING, ANNAPOLIS, TO DISCUSS POINT LOOKOUT PRISON CAMP, HUSBAND FLINT MILL, AND THE ELKRIDGE PREHISTORIC VILLAGE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES.

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MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

LATROBE HALL, THE JOHN'S HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21218

to: James E. Mallow

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GERALD J. SWORD SUPERINTENDENT

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

TELEPHONE 872-5688

January 8, 1975

Mr. Tyler Bastain
State Archaeologist
Maryland Geological Survey
Latrobe Hall
Hohns Hopkins University
North Charles Street
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Tyler:

I've enclosed a drawing for the "Garden Plot" near the Point Lookout lighthouse. Ranger Teeter has indicated on the drawing the locations of the existing concrete post and pipe markers. Sorry for the delay in getting this to you.

The 1877 street plan which we have on file in photo copy form does not indicate the location of the original document. Our copy has printed on it, "Plan of Streets, Avenues, and Building Lots at Point Lookout, Md.". Below this printed caption are the following handwritten words, "Scale 100 ft. to one inch, variation of needle 3° 11' w, 1877". Sorry I can't be of more help on this question at present.

I enjoyed the December 7, 1974, meeting. A Maryland Archaeological Council sounds great and I'm sure Park Service will be interested too.

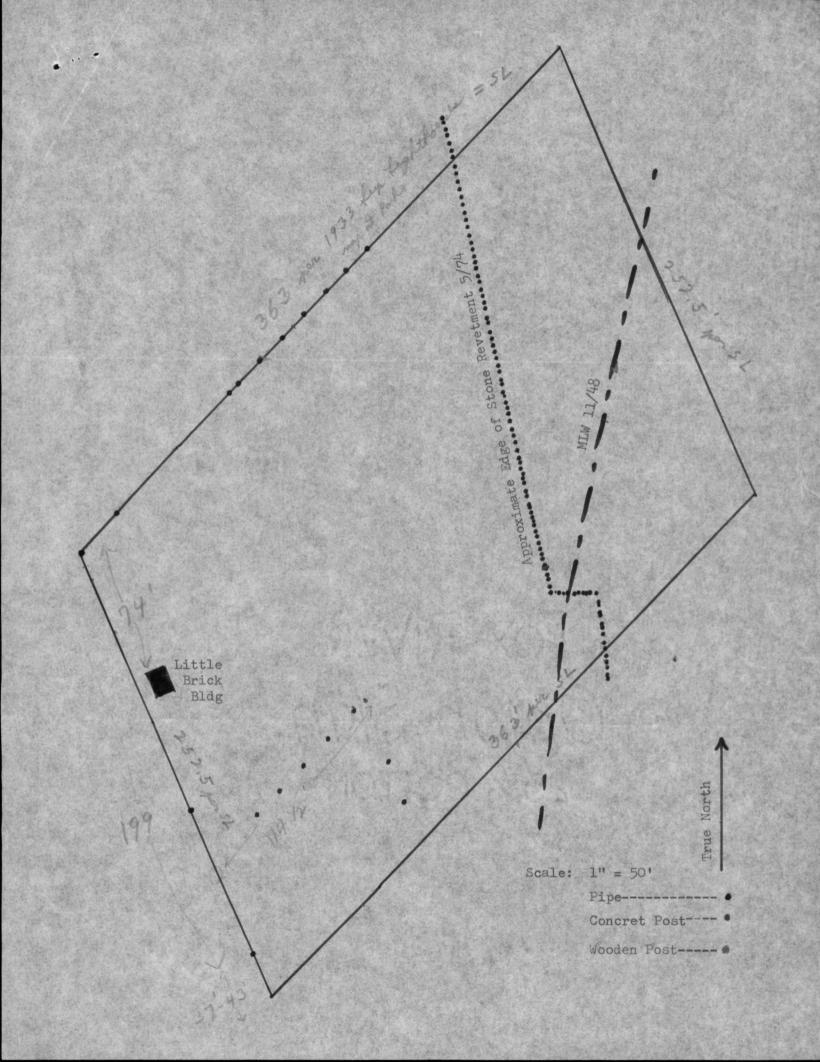
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MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

January 8, 1975

TELEPHONE 872-5688

Mr. Tyler Bastain State Archaeologist Latrobe Hall Johns Hopkins University North Charles Street Baltimore, Md.

Dear Tyler:

Here is a copy of the article which you requested a few weeks ago. I don't have a photo copier at the park. I guess a poor excuse is better than none at all.

The article appeared in the "St. Mary's Guardian" on December 4, 1974, on pages 1, A-3, and A-8. For your information and disposition.

Have you learned anything from John Kent about the "gold watch" and musket barrell?

I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

Gerald Sword
Park Superintendent

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Mr. Mallow, MPS

1 Enclosure

Civil War Prison Camp Preservation Sought

BY CAROLYN SPEARS

If all goes well, St. Mary's County will eventually be able to add another historical feather to its historical cap.

Point Lookout Prison Camp has been nominated by the Maryland Historical Trust to join almost 20 other sites in the county on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Maryland Historical Trust, set up in the late 1960s, is made up of representatives of each of the state's 23 counties. Its function is to find and help preserve historical sites in the state:

If this area, which includes at least one half of the old Hammond General Hospital, the U. S. Coast Guard lighthouse and Fort Lincoln, is accepted to the National Register, it will be eligible for state and federal funds to use for its preservation.

"Acceptance to the National Register will make Point Lookout eligible for state funds with matching funds from the federal government to help preserve the site," said Edwin W. Beitzell, author of several books on St. Mary's County and county representative of the Maryland Historical Trust.

"The other major advantage," Beitzell added, "is that Point Lookout will be set apart. The state or county won't be able to damage the site by doing things like putting in roads without public hearings."

The nomination application is in step three of a five part process for acceptance by the National Register. It began with a recommendation from the St. Mary's County Committee on the Maryland Historical Trust to the Trust's Board of Trustees. The board considered the nomination and submitted it to the State Clearinghouse, an agency that coordinates any action involving state funds.

After the Clearinghouse, the nomination must be accepted by the County-Commissioners and then the Governor will personally approve it, according to Beitzell.

The Point Lookout area, south of Tanner Creek on Rt. 5, was a fashionable resort and bathing place before the Civil War. One of the earliest land grants in Maryland, patented on August 30, 1964 to Governor Leonard Calvert from Lord Baltimore, it was originally named St. Michael by Father Andrew White, S.J., the first priest to say mass in the state.

In the late 1850s this area, also one of the earliest commercial resorts in the state, had a hotel and over one hundred summer cottages.

But in August, 1862, the wheelshaped Hammond General Hospital, the first major building at the Point, began treating 350 wounded union soldiers. The hospital, equipped with 1,400 beds, also treated some Confeder-

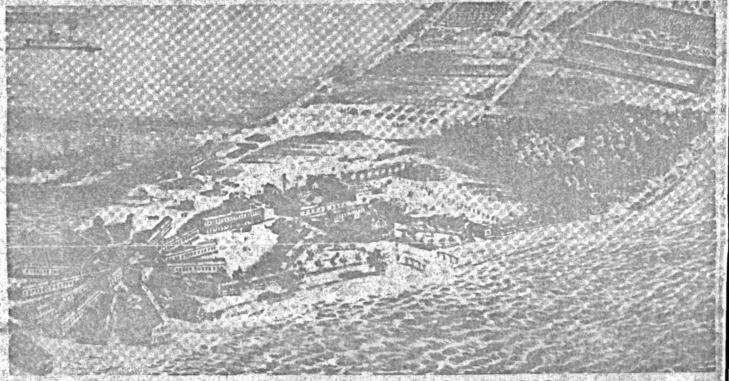
Now there was a need for a prisoner of war depot as well as the hospital and such a depot — built to house 10,000 prisoners — was added to the Point. Originally, the prisoners, placed in cloth tents, were in two areas; one for officers, one for enlisted men. But eventually, all confederate officers were transferred to other camps to prevent escapes. Still the prisoner population was two times more than the camp's capacity.

Beitzell, whose book, Point Lookout Prison Camp for Confederates, was quoted extensively in the Maryland Historical Trust's application, said that the site just missed a major Confederate attack in 1864 when plans of a raid to release the prisoners was published. Fort Lincoln was quickly built in 1863-64 to defend the Point against this attack. On July 13, 1865, Point Lookout, was officially discontinued as a garrison post.

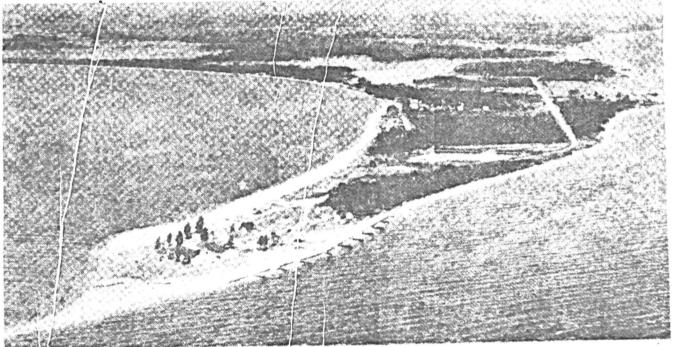
The U.S. Coast Guard lighthouse is the only standing structure remaining from the Civil Wan period. The lighthouse, at the extreme southern tip of the peninsula, was built in 1830. It was in continual use until 1966.

Beitzell is optimistic the Point will be accepted into the National Register.

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Point Lookout Prison Camp 1863



Point Lookout State Park 1974

[See picture of the camp as it was during the Civil War on Page 1]

Civil War Prison

[Continued from Page 1]

probably make it all right," Beitzell said, "and there are about 160 more historic sites in the county that could eventually be nominated to the National Register."

Beitzell said that the recreational uses of Point Lookout State Park, owned by the Department of Natural Resources. won't change if the prison camp al Register.

"The park will still be used as a tourist attraction," Beitzell said. "There'll be campers and especially in the summer months, people will still be able to use the beach, or fish and crab."

"Unfortunately there aren't any markers or recordings that let people know the location or background of these original sites," Beitzell said. "Hopefully, we'll get these things when site is accepted into the Nation- Point Lookout is accepted for the National Register."



GERALD J. SWORD SUPERINTENDENT

TELEPHONE 872-5688

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE
POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK
SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687
January 13, 1975

Mr. Tyler Bastain State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall Johns Hopkins University North Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Tyler:

Continuing the search for the original 1877 map, I found a letter containing the following:

"Law Office Of J. M. Moyer, 32 North Fifth St., Philada.

Philadelphia, December 20th 1877.

To the Light-House Board, Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen,

The Point Lookout and St. Mary's Land and Improvement Co., desire me to submit that they are desirous to commence improvements at Point Lookout --- that they have staked off streets and lots with the view of opening said streets and building on the lots. They want to locate as near the Southern Point as possible. The government owns two acres of land which is used as a garden by the lighthouse keeper near the lower point which interferes seriously with the plan of improvement adopted by the company. Only about one acre of the ground now owned by the government is susceptible of cultivation, balance being so low and near the water's edge that it is constantly filling with sand which renders it useless as a vegetable garden. The compony propose to exchange two acres of land further north on higher ground and better adapted for a garden than the present garden. They are anxious to make this exchange because it will give them a more favorable site for a hotel and will enable them to lay off their blocks and streets more regularly. While the company would gain in this particular, the government would gain a much more valuable piece of ground for the purpose for which it is used. All the land belonging to the company is readily accessible to the light house. I send herewith a copy of the plan of the company's property showing the streets & C. Also the ground belonging to the government --- the diamond figure being the garden. The company will give a perfect and satisfactory title

AN AGENCY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

for the land exchanged.

Should any legislation be necessary we will procure it: If your board should consider our proposition favorably we will at once proceed to consumate it in order that the proposed improvements may be commenced early in the spring.

I have the honor to be

Very respectfully,

:Signed:

J. M. Moyer.

So perhaps the original is in the light house records at the U.S. National Archives. Whoever gets there first could check it out.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Sword

Park Superintendent

GJS:dr

cc:File

Mr. Mallow, MPS

Mr. Kimmell, MPS

Division of Archeology 18 Feb 75

Ross Kimmell

Tyler Bastian

Point Lookout

Driving back from Annapolis on Friday it occurred to me that rather than suggesting a meeting between Townsend and Capper at this time, relative to the National Register nomination of Point Lookout, perhaps we should first revise the map I drafted in December and add to it a proposed historic district outline similar to the boundaries drawn by Gerry but including the central part of the park and, as a separate area, the cemetery. After Capper and Townsend have had an opportunity to review the map which has been revised to our mutual satisfaction, they can arrange a meeting if necessary.

TB/nab cc: James E. Mallow Gerald Sward

Division of Archeology 18 Feb 75

Arthur C. Townsend

Tyler Bastian

Point Lookout

I've had second thoughts after reflecting on my suggestion that you arrange to meet with John Capper or some other appropriate official in DNR concerning the nomination of Point Lookout. Perhaps it would be better to wait until Ross Kimmell, Gerry Sword, and I revise the Civil War base map of the area (the one I prepared last December which includes several errors) and add the proposed historic district outline to include the entire area. Ross feels that DNR will accept inclusion of the entire area in the district. The DNR map with the excised area apparently does not represent a DNR consensus but rather one person's attempt at compromise when composmise may not be necessary. After the revised map is available, you will have a much clearer base from which to discuss the problem with DNR, if further discussion proves necessary.

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GERALD J. SWORD SUPERINTENDENT

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

July 16, 1975

TELEPHONE 872-5688

Mr. Tyler Bastian State Archaeologist Maryland Geological Survey John Hopkins University Latrobe Hall North Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

The following information was found during a recent search for Bench Marks. It certainly locates the central fort.

"20,000 Rear Range - About 1.1 miles north along State Highway 5 from the lighthouse at Point Lookout, Saint Mary's County, about midway between the river and the bay, east of the southeast arm of Point Lookout creek, about halfway down the inside of the west embankment of the old Union Fort northeast of Fort Lincoln, about 200 feet west of the highway, and 1 foot west of a wooden post stenciled 'U.S.B.H.'. A standard disk stamped '20,000 Rear Range' and set in the top of a tile pipe filled with concrete."

The information does not give a date or say if it was the USGS or the Maryland Geological Survey that put up the marker. Do you have any ideas on where to check for such information?

The "Kent Report" has been turned over to the St. Mary's County Historical Society as requested. Please stop by when you're in the area.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Sword

Park Superintendent

GJS:dr

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Jim Mallow

Tyler Bastian

Point Lookout Archeological Report

Does the MPS have an extra copy of Kent's report that you could send to the St. Mary's City Commission, Box 26, St. Mary's City, Maryland, 20686. Send care of Garry W. Stone. Thanks.

TB/nab



GERALD J. SWORD SUPERINTENDENT

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

TELEPHONE 872-5688

September 5, 1974

Mr Tyler Bastian State Archeologist Maryland Geological Survey Latrobe Hall Johns Hopkins University North Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Tyler:

Miss Daisey and I really enjoyed our trip to your office last month. Sorry we did not have all the answers to the questions you raised.

Attached are two tracings. The first covers the bottom part of the 1877 map laying out the Point Lookout building plan. The part of the small box on your map is the "lighthouse yard". The second map locates the lighthouse in relation to the "garden plot" as it appears today. The measurements were taken by Ranger Teeter and myself. Ranger Teeter is a very fine surveyor and I'm sure you will find the drawing correct.

Mr George Miller is presently taking a course at George Washington University and I have not been able to talk to him about the material near the proposed boat basin. Ranger Teeter and I will be taking a course in archeology at St Mary's College this year and George is agreable to us using the material collected from that area in the course. This should give some indication as to the importance of the site, if any, by the time the course is completed. George is interested in the site and I'm now confident that he will help anyway he can.

Thanks for the Point Lookout grid map, It will be a great help in recording our collections.

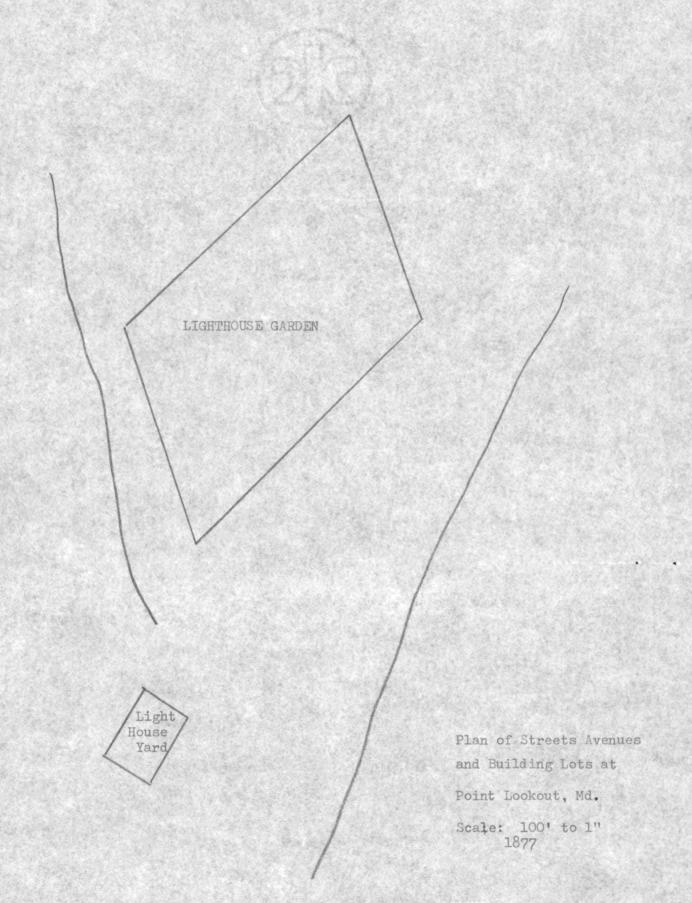
Looking forward to the new map you are preparing for Point Lookout. Hope your vacation was just great. If there is anything that we can do at Point Lookout from the archeological stand point just let us know.

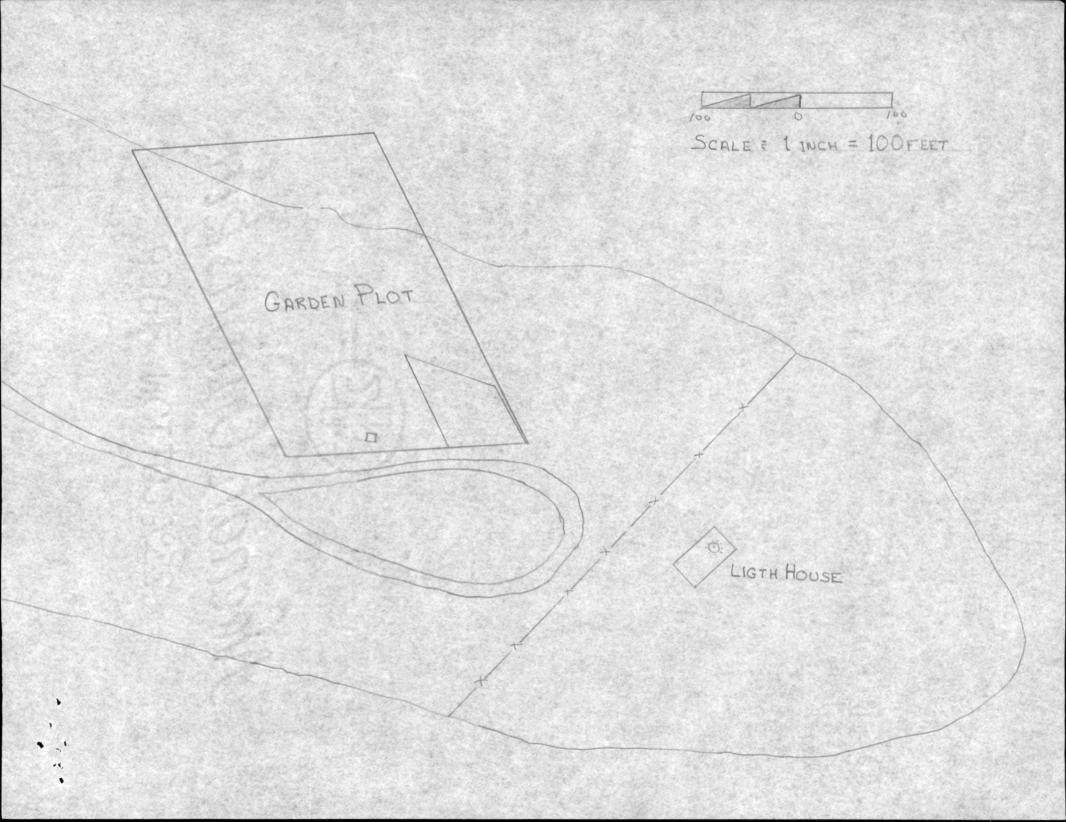
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Park Superintendent

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St. Mary's City Commission



ST. MARY'S CITY, MARYLAND 20686

AGENCY FOR PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARYLAND'S FIRST CAPITAL 1634

August 27, 1975

Mr. Tyler Bastian State Archaeologist Latrobe Hall The Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Dear Tyler:

Jerry Sword will be waiting to hear from you on Sue Deany's plans. The affected area of the park will be closed off to campers shortly after Labor Day and the area between the road and Lake Conoy available for test excavation. I do hope we will be able to find artifacts related to the stockade posts and its construction ditch. It is unfortunate that the new channel to Lake Conoy will be in this area.

You will recall from our telephone conversation that the area of the present channel into Lake Conoy does not present any clear problems. The fill on the east bank which local tradition states may have been the remains of earthworks appears to be Irving Knott's backfill from the channel. Evidence for this is limited to the exposed bank by the channel which has three to four feet of fill resting on a layer of sticks and twigs which are in an excellent state of preservation. In this layer is a board with a round nail hole and head impression in it. As you probably know, round nails did not become common until their cost approached that of square nails in the 1890's. From the exposed bank, I would guess this fill is Irving Knott's digging of the channel in the 1950's or 1960's. How far back his fill goes is not clear, however, a road running over this area should not present any problems.

Dredging of Lake Conoy will destroy the artifact area near the present boat ramp. Saturday August 24th, Jerry Sword, Olie Teeter, and I used a clam rake, screen, and buckets in this area. This produced a rather large collection of 1840's-1850's pottery, glass, leather, brick fragments, bone, wood, and seeds. Part of the bank was undercut and when the sod was cut

away, more large plate and bottle sherds were found. From what I can tell, this area was dry land during the first half of the nineteenth century and possibly later. What we have appears to be the contents of one or more trash pits. The water is easily muddled so collection is limited to raking and finding artifacts. No evidence of structural remains have been found, however, there are quite a few brick fragments in the deposits. The collections appear to be from maybe a ten or fifteen year time gap centering around the 1840's. In my opinion this is a very important collection and as much as possible this area should be collected before it is destroyed. Beyond that, the leather and wood fragments will need some preservation and the collection deserves to be analyzed. It already has strengthened some of my conclusions about Pope's Freehold. I do hope something can be done along these lines.

Will be looking forward to hearing from you on the above, and I will keep you posted on progress down here.

Sincerely,

George L. Miller Laboratory Curator

GLM: pah

c.c. Jerry Sword

Division of Archeology 19 Sept 75

George Miller

Tyler Bastian

enclosed letter from Ross Kimmel

Would you please answer this? Thanks.

TB/nbw encs.

September 30, 1975

Ross M. Kimmel
Park Historian
Maryland Park Service
Tawes State Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Kimmel:

Tyler Bastian has passed your letter of September 16th on to me for an answer as to why I rate the 1840's midden at Point Lookout as very important. First let me apologize for being so slow in responding (I was on vacation), and not being more specific about the site.

Three things in my mind make this site very important. First is that it is a waterlogged deposit which has preserved wood, leather, and possibly other items not normally preserved in dry land midden deposits. This of course increases our ability to interpret the other artifacts and the socioeconomic position of their previous owners.

Beyond preservation of leather and wood, the condition of the ceramics and glass is worth noting. Unlike many sites, the artifacts from these deposits are not badly broken up or frost pitted. Many of the sherds from Lake Concy represent one-fourth of a plate rather than the small sherds so common at other sites. As such they will be easier to reconstruct and will make better pieces for display.

Last, and perhaps most important, the artifacts from this assemblage appear to date tightly in the late 1830's and early 1840's. Most sites cover broad periods of time and much of the archaeologist's effort is involved in chronologically ordering the collections. This collection releases the archaeologist from that load and allows him to deal with what appears to be a simple time capsule in which the sample is large enough to see social and economic relationships.

Ross M. Kimmel September 30, 1975 My initial impression of the site is that it was a garbage pit which later became submerged as part of Lake Conoy. If this is the case, then the latest artifact of the assemblage is the terminus post quem for part of the lake and could be useful in our understanding the changes that took place in the lake. Lastly, I would like to comment on the "...possible thousand such deposits elsewhere in the state, ... ". This is very true, there are thousand of such deposits. However, the only collection from this period in state hands to my knowledge is that excavated from Pope's Freehold by the St. Mary's City Commission. This also is the only published collection from this period in the State of Maryland. In case your interested, the citation is: George L. Miller, "A Tenant Farmer's Tableware: Nineteenth-Century Ceramies From Tabb's Purchase" Maryland Historical Magazine Vol. 69, No.2, Summer 1974, pp. 197-210. In closing, it should be noted that this site is in a historic park, not an urban renewal area or a farmer's field. How can the State justify not salvaging it for future interpretation of the park? If you have any further questions on this site or the collections from it, I will be glad to answer them. Sincerely, George L. Miller Laboratory Curator GLM: pah c.c. Tyler Bastian Gerald Sword P.S. The leather and wood from this site will need some conservation. At this time Ranger Teeter has been soaking the artifacts in changes of fresh water to get rid of salt in them. After a reasonable amount of soaking, the leather and wood will need to be stored in water with a biocide until they can be conserved. There is a good description of this process by Gerald H. Grosso titled "Wood, Textile, and Leather Conservation Techniques for the Archaeologist" in Northwest Anthropological Research Notes Vol.9, No.1, John premn Spring 1975, pp. 180-197. Some of the preservation could be done by Mr. Sword or Ranger Teeter. However, the more important pieces such as a shoe they recovered should be contracted out for conservation, possibly to Norman Barka's lab at William and Mary. Collections from the site by Mr. Sword and Ranger Teeter are very helpful in showing the range of material there and their efforts under trying conditions are worthy of praise.

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VII. - MEETINGS, CONVENTIONS, CONFERENCES, SEMINARS

- A. By authority of the Board of Public Works, except as provided below, each cabinet head and each agency head not under a Secretary has the authority to approve individual requests for out-of-state travel in connection with attendance at conferences, conventions, seminars subject to amounts budgeted in Object .04-Travel, for out-of-state travel. For purposes of this section, meetings of a routine nature in the area of Washington, D.C. are not considered out-of-state travel.
- B. Convention travel outside the United States and its territories and Canada shall be submitted to the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning on Comptroller's GAD Form X-3 for approval of the Board of Public Works.
- C. Travel requests directly connected with training of State employees requiring attendance at any conference, seminar or training course which exceeds one week will require prior approval of the Secretary of Personnel. Such requests will be placed on the Board of Public Works agenda of the Secretary of Budget and Fiscal Planning for approval of that Board.
- D. The Comptroller's GAD Form X-3 shall be utilized as an internal form for each agency and will accompany employees' requests for reimbursements. In addition, each department will provide semi-annually a list to the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning of the names, titles, destinations, purposes of travel, and costs of all employees who have traveled out of State during the preceding six months.
- E. When a registration fee is charged, those participating in a meet: g may be reimbursed upon submission of a receipt.
- F. Reimbursement will be allowed only for meals consumed by officials or employees of the State of Maryland, and not by their guests.
- G. Reimbursement for such travel will be made by the Comptroller in accordance with these Standard Travel Regulations.
- H. A separate form must be submitted for each person seeking reimbursement.
- I. All requests requiring Board of Public Works approval must be submitted in quadruplicate.



GERALD J. SWORD SUPERINTENDENT

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

TELEPHONE 872-5688

November 26, 1975

Mr. Tyler Bastian
Maryland State Archeologist
Maryland Geological Survey
Latrobe Hall
Johns Hopkins University
North Charles
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Tyler:

Enclosed is two sketch reports. They describe two ceramic bottles found here on the Point having possible similarities to the fragments found by Norma Wagner on September 5, 1975.

Really enjoyed your visit last week. Hope to see you again soon.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Sword

Park Superintendent

CC: File Encls.

CERAMIC BOTTLE FOUND NEAR SITE OF SUSPOSED POTOMAC STOCKADE IN LAKE CONOY

On November 8, 1974, several member of the Department of Natural Resources, Capital Programs Office, were conducting field surveys in and around Lake Conoy for a future boating facility. While in the area easterly from the several wooden post butting out of Lake Conoy and believed to be the remains of the Civil War stockade in that area, one of the planners discovered a large portion of a broken ceramic bottle. The bottle was subsequently turned in at the park headquarters to the undersigned.

Since the bottom portion of the bottle is missing the bottle's size can only be approximate. It is estimated that the bottle stood 9" high, including the neck and lip. And that it was about 3-1/2" in diameter at the base. The neck is 1-3/8" 0.D. at the base and 1-1/16" 0.D. at the top just below the lip. The lip is 1-3/16" 0.D. and approximately 1/4" high. The I.D. of the neck opening is approximately 7/8" at the top and tapers to about 3/8" at the bottom of the lip.

Two incised markings occur on the bottle's sides. Immediately below the handle is the number "13". The second marking occurs on the side opposite the handle. This marking consist of two concentric circles separated by the letters, "RHENS". The center of the inner circle is divided in half by a vertical line. The left half of the circle is further divided by a cross. The right half of the circle is marked with a "X". Each point of the "X" is expanded slightly.

Approximately 1/2" below the last described marking are the following letters, "RHEIN=PREUSSE". These are also incised and measure approximately 3/16" high and 1/8" wide.

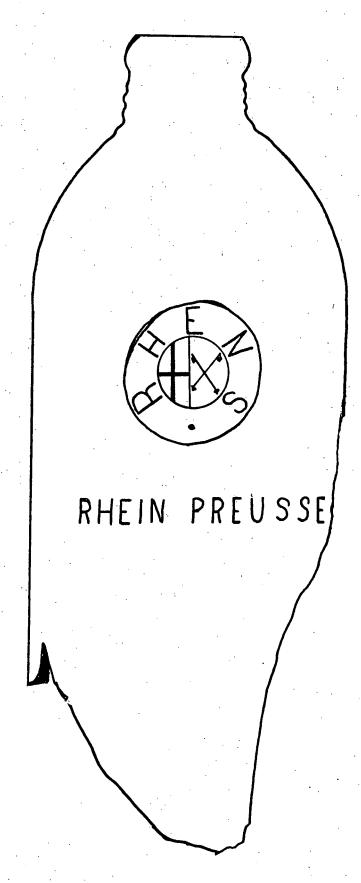
The above described bottle is very similar in material, shape and design, and the one found serveral years ago by a local citizen near the site of the Civil War camp of the 5th New Hampshire Volunteers at Point Lookout. Two sherds of that same type bottle was uncovered by Norma B. Wagner, Archeological Aide, Maryland Geological Survey, on September 5, 1975, while working at the susposed Potomac stockade a few feet from Lake Conoy.

Gerald J. Sword
Park Superintendent
Point Lookout State Park
November 1975



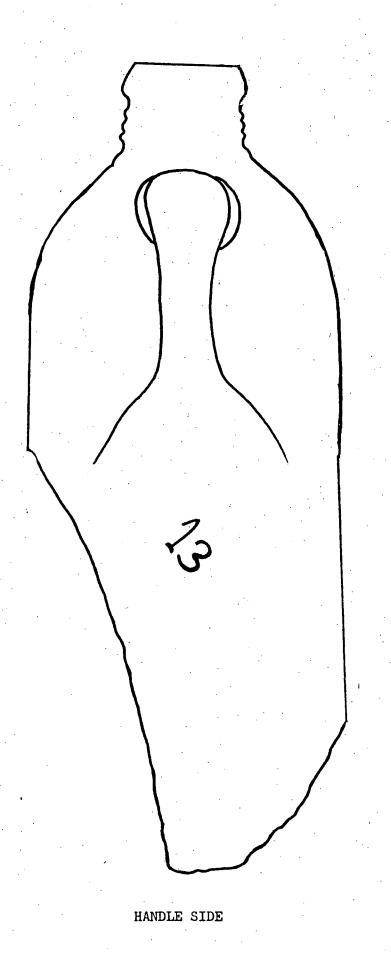
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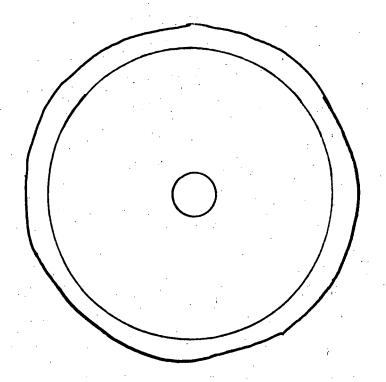


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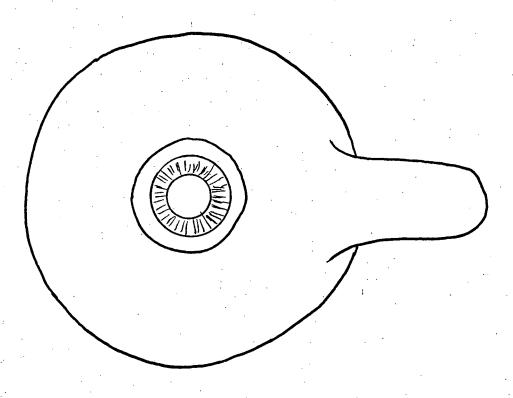
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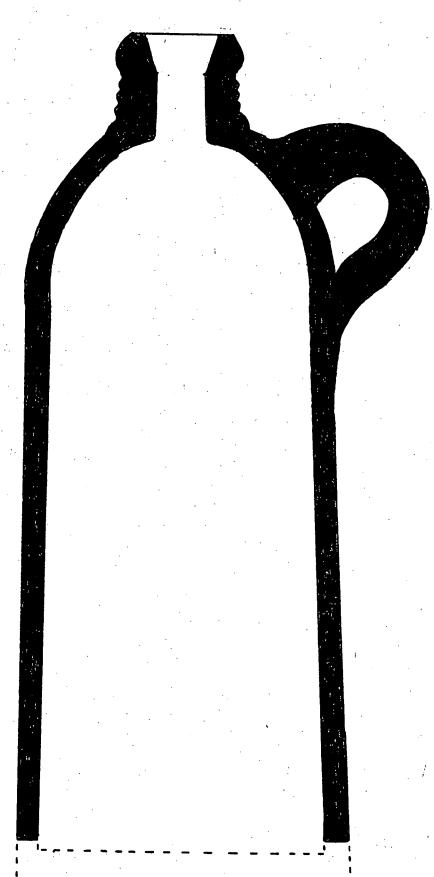


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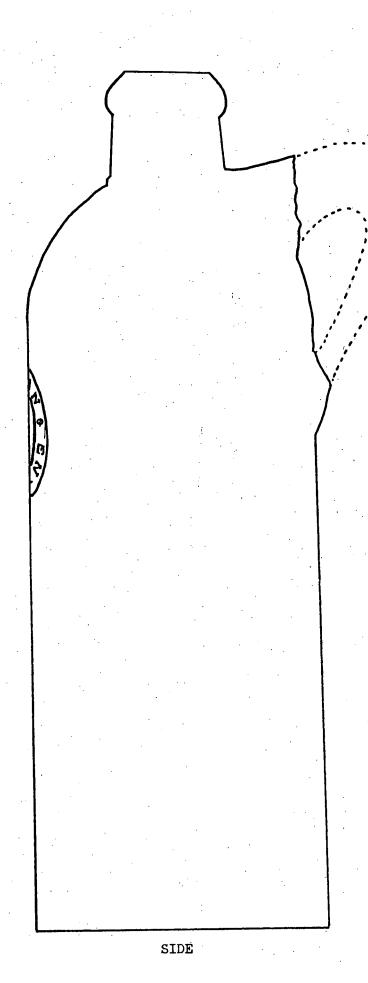
Several years ago a area citizen discovered a orange glaze ceramic bottle near the site of the Civil War camp of the 5th New Hampshire Regiment, Point Lookout, Maryland. While the bottle remains in private possession it was loaned to the Maryland Park Service for study. The attached drawings were made from actual observation of the bottle.

The bottle is 3" in diameter; 8-7/8" high including the 1-1/8" long neck. The neck is 1-1/4" O.D. at the base and 1" O.D at the top just below the lip. The lip is 1-1/4" O.D. and approximately 3/8" high. The I.D. of the neck opening is approximately 7/8" at the top and tapering to approximately 5/8" at it's base.

Two incised markings occur on the bottle sides. Immediately below the handle (which is borken off and not in possession of the owner) is the letter "A" and the following, "No. 122". The second marking ocurrs on the front opposite the handle. The incised design consists of two concentric circles separated by the letters, "F_GHINGEN". In the center of the inner circle is the design of a standing lion.

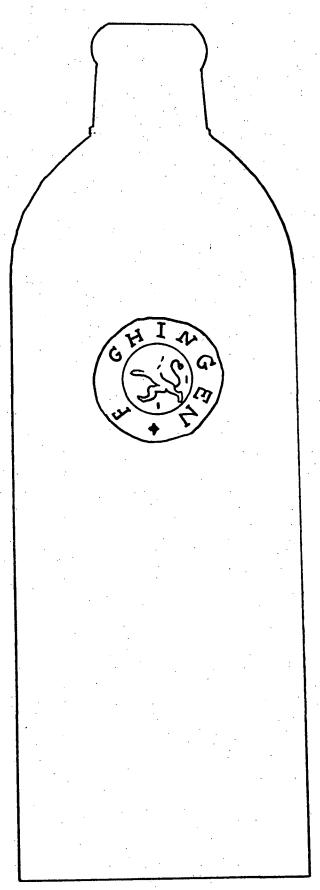
Norma B. Wagner, Archeological Aide, Maryland Geological Survey, October 1975, on page 4, of "Archeological Investigations at Point Lookout State Park, September 4-5, 1975", reported that, "According to Noel Hume such bottles were made between A.D. 1840-1890 (1969: pp 79-80). Everett and Janice Ford report that ceramic bottles were in characteristic use in Baltimore from ca. A.D. 1860-1885 (1974: p. 2)." Wagner had located two orange glaze sherds during her investigations at Point Lookout. The sherds had incised designs similar to those described above.

Gerald J. Sword
Park Superintendent
Point Lookout State Park
November 1975



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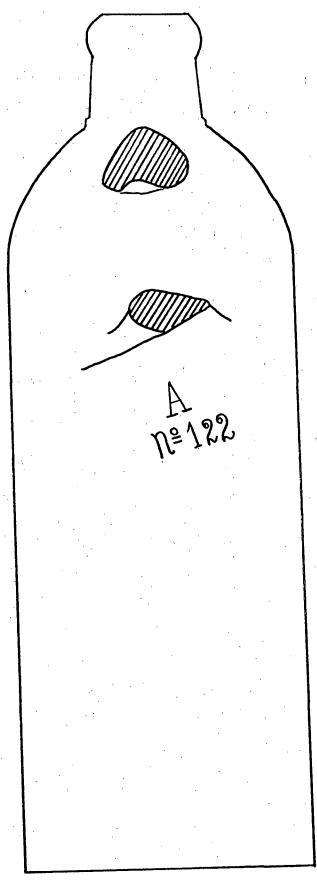
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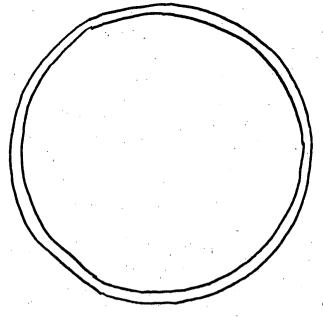
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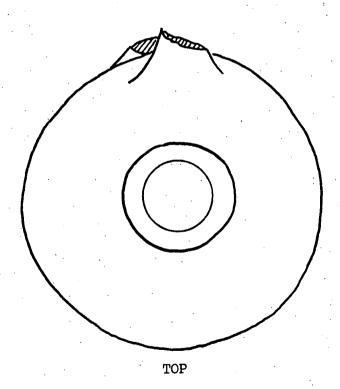


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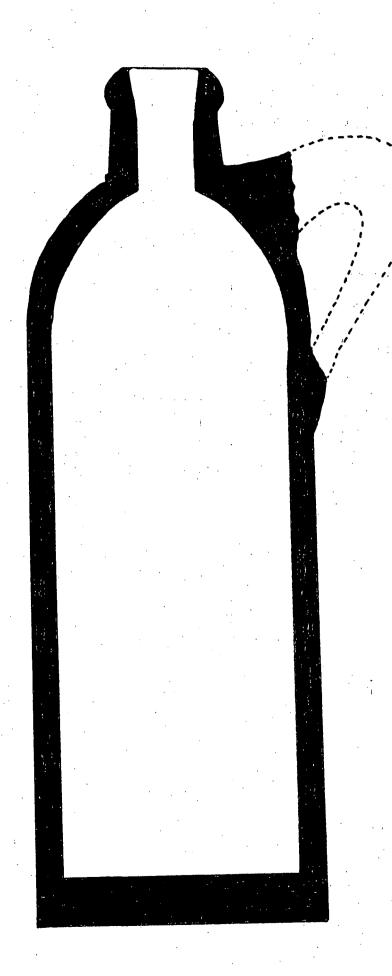


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GERALD J. SWORD

MARYLAND PARK SERVICE POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687

TELEPHONE 872-5688

December 5, 1975

Mr. Tyler Bastian
State Archeologist
Maryland Geological Survey
Latrobe Hall
Johns Hopkins University
North Charles Street
Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Tyler:

Your visit last month is greatly appreciated. Enclosed is a short very unsophisticated report covering the permit you granted Ranger Teeter and I in November 1974. The report tells breifly why, what, how and when of our activities. It also contains our recommendation for continued study and collection from the site.

As you know, the collections were continued through 1975. New information has been obtained from the continued study of maps, archival sources and through frequent interviews with local residents. The artifacts collected are being cleaned and cataloged here at Point Lookout. When the site becomes inaccessible due to construction of the boating facility, a formal report will be prepared covering all our efforts on the site.

The recent issuance of the permit to cover the continuing work is appreciated and we will do our best to produce a quality product.

Very truly yours,

Gerald J. Sword

Park Superintendent

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Mr Kimmel, Park Historian, MPS

Encl.

ARCHEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION AT POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK November 25, 1974 thru January 1, 1975

Pending construction of a new boating facility along the southern shore of Lake Conoy within Point Lookout State Park, prompted this investigation. The site is apparently a early 19th. century farm midden (St 62), as previously reported by Kent (1973). Numerous ceramic sherds, brick fragments, and a few stone artifacts were recovered from the site since first reported by Kent. These recoveries were from the shore along the lake by Steve Sholl, Olie Teeter, Daryl DeCesare, Jerry Denton and Glen Simms, all of the Maryland Park Service. All of the recovered items are in the possession of Sword and Teeter, or George Miller, Archeological Conservator, St. Mary's City Commission.

The investigations were conducted both on the land and under the lake waters. All available information relating to the site area was reviewed. No excavations were made. Electronic detectors were not used.

The collections from the shore resulted in a variety of small sherds consisting mainly of blue and green edge wares, salt glaze, and a few square nails and brick fragments. During periods of low tide Teeter and Sword waded out into the shallow waters of the lake and picked up larger sherds of salt glaze, edge wares, a few pieces of leather, mostly shoes, and a few mammal bones.

The land area immediately to the south of the shoreline was examined for structural remains of any buildings which may have line the shore. Only a small depression was found along with what could possibly have been a old road bed. The possible road bed leads from the east to a point near the depression. The depression is situated next to the wetland on the south shore of the lake and to the east of the midden area. No artifacts of any kind were located near the possible road bed or the depression.

Mrs Dorthy Courtney, a resident of Point Lookout since 1930, was interviewed. She stated that the area in question was formerly farmed, but had not been plowed since 1930. Her husband's family first came to Point Lookout in the 1890's. She has no recollection of any buildings being in the questioned area and has never heard of any buildings being there from her in-laws.

All available pertinent records were reviewed. Only two of them indicated buildings of some type in the vicinity of the south lake shore. The first appeared on a map dated 1849-56-58 & 59, United States Coast Survey, compiled by the United States Coast Guard on August 19, 1863. The map indicates two buildings immediately south of the lake shore and one near the boat ramp. The second record is the

well publicized 1863-1864 Civil War lithograph of the Point. The lithograph showes a structure along the south shore of the lake.

The results of this investigation are not conclusive. Further collections from the site are recommended. Cleaning, cataloguing, and interpretation of the collected artifacts will be delayed until time permits. They will be stored at Point Lookout State Park and at St. Mary's City Commission, until further study can be given them.

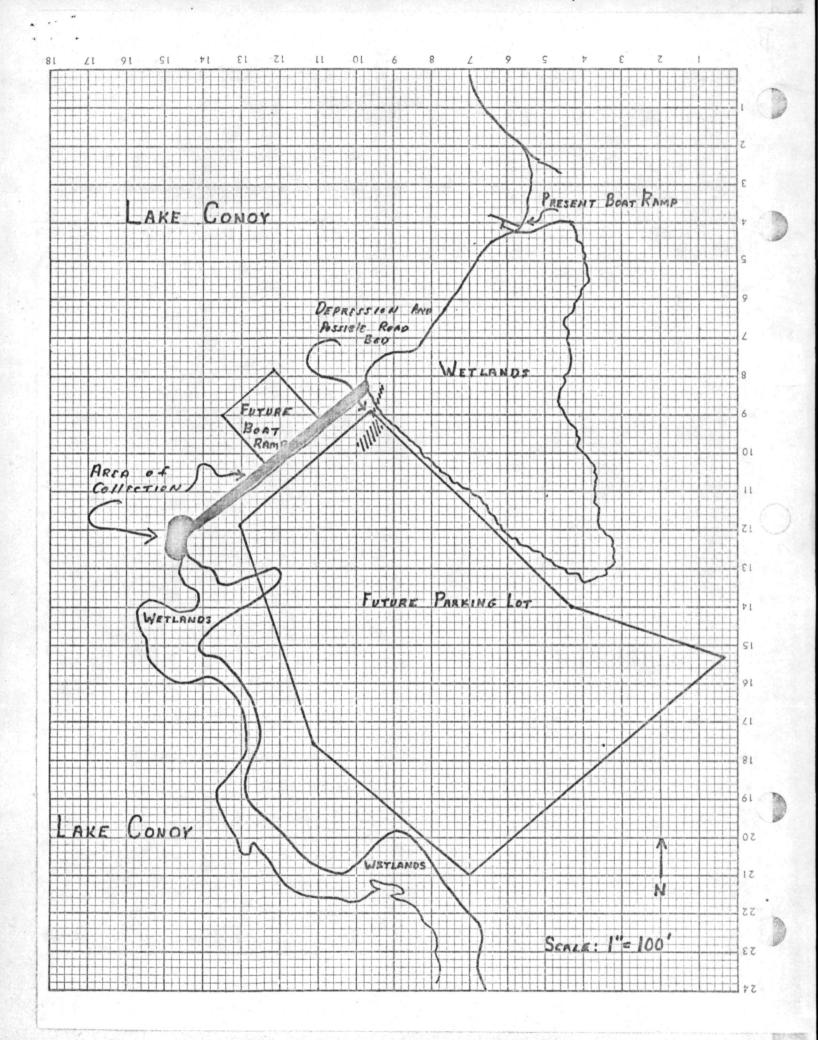
Olie K. Teeter, Jr., Park Ranger Maryland Park Service

December 4, 1975

Gerald J. Sword, Park Superintendent

Maryland Park Service

December 4, 1975





The Maryland Historical Trust

Shaw House, 21 State Circle, Annapolis, Maryland 21401 301: 267-1212 or 301: 267-1438

To: Tyler Bestien

From: Bob Riordan

RE: Enclosed Clearinghouse item

Based on the information they supply, and your familiarity with

Point Lookout, is there any likelihood that the bridge will

effect the prison camp site?



MARVIN MANDEL

MARYLAND

DEPARTMENT OF STATE PLANNING

301 WEST PRESTON STREET BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21201 TELEPHONE: 301-383-2451

February 19, 1976

VLADIMIR A. WAHBE
SECRETARY OF STATE PLANNING
MADELINE L. SCHUSTER
DEPUTY SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM

TO:

See Addressees Below

FROM:

Warren D. Hodges Ubusen Different

Chief, State Clearinghouse

FEB 23 1976

ASSISTANCE

RE:

State Clearinghouse Project No. 76-2-603

Public Notice 5-335 - US Coast Guard Permit Request from

Maryland Department of General Services

Foot Bridge over Point Lookout Creek (St. Mary's County)

The enclosed notice on the reference project is forwarded for your information and use. If you desire to comment on this project, please contact the applicant direct and forward an information copy to this office.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Enclosure

Addressees

DNR - Paul McKee

EHA - Donald Noren

DOT - Clyde Pyers

DECD - Jerold Gettleman

St. Mary's Co. - Edward Cox

TCC S. Md. - Gerald McKinney

Information Copy

V. R. Robillard



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

MAILING ADDRESS
COMMANDER (OQN)
FIFTH COAST GUARD DISTRICT
FEDERAL BUILDING
431 CRAWFORD STREET
PORTSMOUTH, VIRGINIA 23705

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PUBLIC NOTICE 5-335

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Maryland Department of General Services has applied for a permit to build a fixed footbridge across Point Lookout Creek, 0.5 mile above the mouth of the creek. The proposed footbridge is located in Point Lookout State Park, St. Mary's County, Maryland. The purpose of the proposed footbridge is to provide pedestrian access from the mainland to the barrier island located on the Potomac River, south of Point Lookout Creek.

The plans submitted for approval provide a minimum vertical clearance of 10 feet at mean high water. The horizontal clearance is 37 feet between pile bents. Copies of the location and plan drawings are attached.

The applicant submitted an environmental assessment indicating that the proposed footbridge will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. The applicant also submitted a water quality certificate. Both documents are on file at this office and may be seen by interested persons between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays.

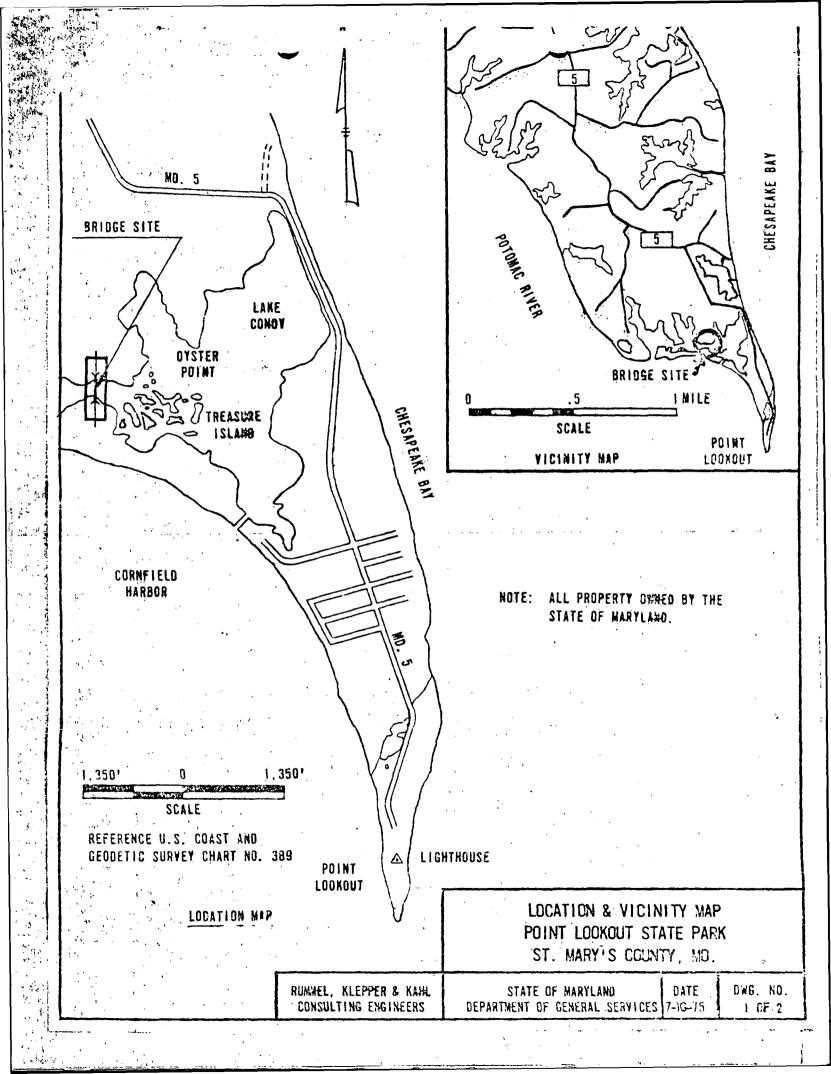
The decision as to whether approval of the plans will be granted must rest upon the effect of the proposed work on navigation and on the quality of the human environment. Pertinent factors to be considered in determining whether it would be in the best public interest to grant the approval include but are not limited to wildlife and waterfowl refuges, public parks, historic sites and recreation areas.

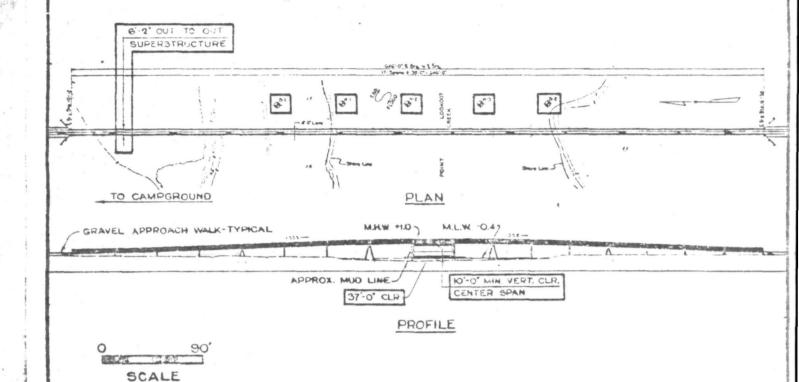
Comments concerning the proposed work whould be submitted in writing to the Commander (oan), Fifth Coast Guard District, 431 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, Virginia 23705 and will be received through 2 March 1976.

It is requested that this information be brought to the attention of any persons known by you to be interested in the proposed construction and who may not have received a copy of this notice.

V. R. ROBILLARD

Captain, U. S. Coast Guard Chief, Aids to Navigation Branch By direction of the Commander Fifth Coast Guard District





TEST BORINGS W-1, W-2 AND W-3, SHOWN IN ABOVE PLAN, INDICATE THE MUD LINE ELEVATION AT EACH LOCATION. THE TEST BORINGS WERE TAKEN FOR THE STATE OF MARYLAND, DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES AND COMPLETED ON DEC. 11, 1974. TEST BORINGS B-I AND BE WERE USED TO ESTIMATE PILE TIP ELEVATIONS.

NOTES:

DATUM - BASED ON U.S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

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M.H.W. - ELEV. +1.00'

- ELEV. -0.40' M.L.W.

CURRENT - TIDAL FLOW

TIMBER BRIDGE FOR POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MD.

RUMMEL, KLEPPER & KANL CONSULTING ENGINEERS

STATE OF WARYLAND

DATE

CWG. NO. 2 CF 2

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES 17-1G-75

Maryland Historical Trust 2525 Riva Road Annapolis Maryland 21401 (301) 267-5087

February 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM

TO:

TYLER BASTIAN

FROM:

ARTHUR C. TOWNSEND

RE:

POINT LOOKOUT

Tyler, thank you for your memo of February 18th concerning our proposed meeting with DNR. No meeting has been set and we will wait upon you and the revised map before proceeding. Thank you for your valuable assistance in this matter.

ACT/mh

Historical and Cultural Administration
Department of Economic and Community Development



WILLIAM A. PARR DIRECTOR MARYLAND PARK SERVICE
POINT LOOKOUT STATE PARK
SCOTLAND, MARYLAND 20687
TELEPHONE 872-5688

GERALD J. SWORD

December 31, 1978

Mr Joe MacNamara, Archeologist c/o State Archeologist Maryland Geological Survey Johns Hopkins University North Charles Street Campus Nort Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr MacNamara:

Attached are two maps of the Scotland Beach civil war campsite. The 1849-1859 map is from the U.S. National Archives. I copied it last month. The second map is one that I drew last March. It covers the land area from which most of the artifacts are known to be taken.

You can see that the area appeared to be a field during the period just prior to the war. It is interesting and suggestive of the limits of the campsite. Some artifacts have been found outside of the ditch (northwest of the ditch) in the area of "small pits". I've guessed that the pits may have been defensive measures of some type. They could have been something else. None have been excavated. Near the southwest corner of the site, where the ditch meets Scotland Beach Road, there is a large trash pit that has been used formany years. From that area ceramic sherds of the mid-1800's up to present have been found. The more recent stuff includes plastics, glass, wire and etc.

Near the north end of the site to east of the ditch and north of the furrows horse shoes, sword scabard and similar materials have been found.

All in all many hundreds of items have been taken form this site.

I hope this willhelp you locate the site for the map.

Very truly yours,

Park Supérintendent

Gerald J. Sword

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OFFICE OF

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

TAWES STATE OFFICE BUILDING ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401 (301) 269-2251

June 2, 1982

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S STANT ATTURNEY BENERAL COUNSEL TO SECRETARY MICHAEL J. SCIBINICO, II

MEMO TO: PHYLLIS STRINGER

THOMAS DEMING FROM

SUBJECT: CONTRACT BETWEEN THE PARK SERVICE

AND BATES AND ASSOCIATES, INC.

Last Friday I approved for legal sufficiency a contract between the Department and Bates and Associates, Inc. for removal of approximately four feet of earth from the parking lot of the boating area at Point Lookout. The scope of work in the contract stated that the contractor is to "provide" all labor, fuel, equipment, transportation, insurance, etc. . . . " (emphasis added). This is to advise you that the use of "etc." is not effective to incorporate into a scope of work tasks other than those specifically described. approved this contract because I assume that those items specifically described will be sufficient to get the job done. However, please advise all appropriate units not to use the term "etc." in developing the scope of work.

TAD/elb

Larry Engle

Project will entail only the removal of spoils dump put there in the mid 70's (por D. Decease pork superintendent